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Pay scale proposal questioned



A proposed second pay schedule for non-union employees of Canton Township has raised questions. Employees are concerned about pay being reduced.

By Joanne Maliszewski

Canton Merit Commissioner Don Voyles wants to evaluate how existing non-union employees fall into a new pay scale proposed for new employ-

"I would at least like to take a look

at that," Voyles said Dec. 20, as merit commissioners recommended approval of a second pay schedule for nonunion employees

If the township board approves the new pay schedule in January, the township will have two pay schedules for non-union employees. The new

ees would apply only to new hires who would earn less than existing employees at certain levels.

Changes in the pay schedule, according to commissioners, come from the need to provide flexibility by allowing lower wages at entry levels. The existing pay scale has higher starting wages for certain positions.

Voyles questioned how current employees would be affected by the new pay schedule. In November, nonunion employees expressed concern about the proposed changes, particu-

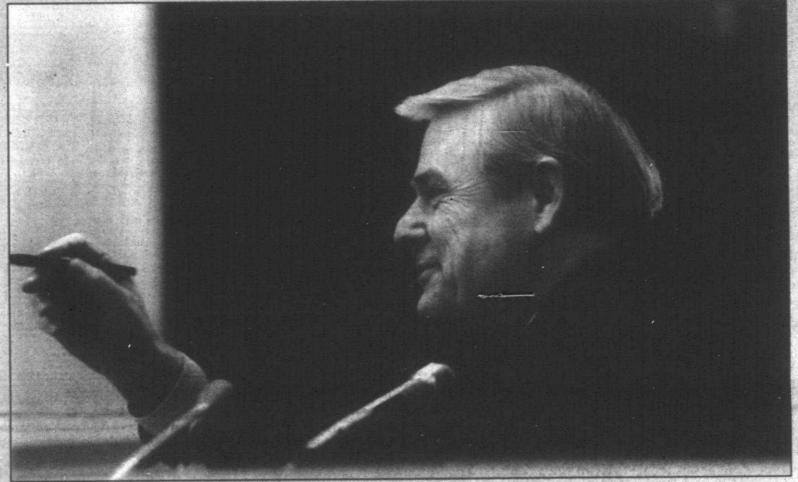
were promoted or changed jobs within

the township.
"If there is little or none (effect on existing employees), maybe we don't need to facilitate the two (schedules)," Voyles said.

Bert McCartney, representative for township employees on the merit commission, questioned Voyles. "Don't you think that's putting the cart before the horse?" Voyles responded: "No. We need the new structure."

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Saying goodbye



RILL BREXLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Hanging up the robes: Retiring 35th District Judge James Garber treated defendants and attorneys alike with respect.

Garber's days on bench winding down

BY M.B. DILLON STAFF WRITER

It was one of the last days on the for retiring 35th District Judge James Garber, and the de-fendant before him was charged fendant before him was with driving with open intoxicants with driving with open intoxicants with driving with open intoxicants.

— an offense punishable by 90 days in jail, two points, fines and costs.

"I don't know if you noticed those fellows dressed in brown out in the hall," Garber told the defendant, speaking of sheriffs escorting pris-

oners to the Hillsdale County Jail, but they're taking those folks on an all-expense-paid vacation to Hillsdale County."

The defendant was wearing jeans

and a wrinkled flannel shirt with holes in it. His long hair wasn't

"Sir," asked Garber, "Is your girl-friend going to post bond for you?"
"I hope so," he answered.
Garber could have sentenced him

to jail, but said the court would take

his driver's license in lieu of bond.

One of the next defendants was a heavy-set Detroiter in shirtsleeves and gold chains, charged with driving with improper plates. Before get-ting down to business, Garber re-marked, "You're big enough to be

Mr. T. Did you play some ball?"
The man replied he had, at Alabama State. Garber gestured toward Richard Jackson, "Our court officer was an athlete at Alabama State.

After his trademark kibitzing.

Garber said, "Technically, driving with improper license plates carries 90 days in jail. Usually, 45 is enough." The defendant was relieved to hear Garber wasn't going to sentence him to jail; but that fines would be assessed instead. Leaving the court, the man's wife said, "That judge seems fun and jolly and reasonable. I thought he would be more stricter."

See GARBER, 4A

Friends say goodbye to respected jurist

BY M.B. DILLON STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth community laid to rest one of its favorite sons with an emotional farewell Wednesday.

Paying their respects to Judge Dunbar Davis at First Baptist Church of Plymouth was a large congregation that included statesmen, jurista, community leaders, court personnel, longtime friends, family members and stalwarts of Plymouth. Davis, 81, was elected to the com-

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A salute: Officials including 35th District Judges John MacDonald and James Garber paid tribute to Judge Dunbar Davis, who served in the district court from 1968 to 1984.



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to do tax returns for senor citizens through the AARP Tax-Aide Program.

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being comfortable working with numbers and doing your own tax returns. The Internal Revenue

Service provides training classes.

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She's a winner

Catherine Oison, 81/4, of Canton, is the winner of the Canton Chamber of Commerce Santa on Wheels drawing. Catherine received a \$50 gift cer-

CANTON CONNECTION

Holiday closings

The Canton Public Safety Department's records bureau will close at 5 p.m. today, Dec. 29, and reopen at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3

Copies of reports and gun registration forms will not be available during the days the department is closed for the holidays.

Canton's municipal offices will be closed Friday, Dec. 30. The township will close Monday,

Jan. 2, and reopen Tuesday, Jan. 3. The Canton Treasurer's office will be open until 12:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30, for tax collections.

Winter Ball

The public is invited to attend the Canton Community Foundation's Winter Ball Friday, Jan. 13, at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

The \$60-a-person party is a fund-raiser for the foundation. Money raised will go specifically for human services in Canton.

Reservations must be made by the first week of January by calling Executive Director Joan Noricks, 981-3002.

Music poster features an ice festival theme

International Ice Sculpture Spectacular can take home more than memories - for \$5 they can purchase a limited edition commemorative poster.

The poster is a first for the ice show, "hopefully the first in a long series," said Mike Watts, president of Watts-Up Inc., the producers of the Ice Sculpture

It features Jim Hindi's dramat c after-dark photo of "Be Bop," last year's award-winning sculpture. The grouping of jazz musiname was carved by Swiss exchange students and finished in the top three during the competi-

The poster is intended as a souvenir for visitors and a fund-raner for the ice show.

"Most people don't realize that the ice show is totally self-supporting - it's not paid for by the

Watts said. "We're printing 3,000 Coneys, Plymouth Coffee Bean and it would be really nice to sell Engraving Connection, Mayflower

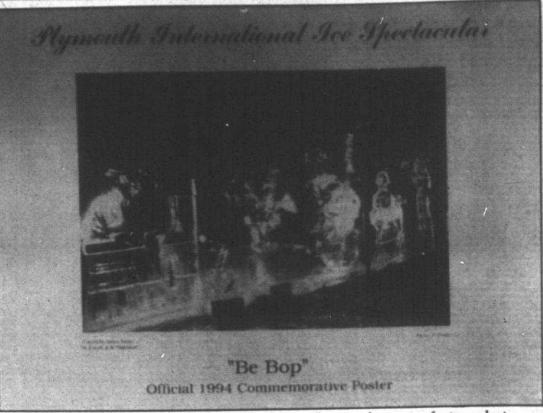
during the competition.

Canton high school Marching Community Chamber of Com-Band. Band members will staff sales booths during the ice show

The following businesses will also help out by handling poster sales at their Plymouth locations: Uncle Frank's Chicagos and

Hotel, Sir Speedy Printing, Wild Wings, Creative Framing, Frame-A portion of proceeds from the works, Hands-On Leather, Penniposter will go to the Plymouth- man Showcase and the Plymouth

> Trade Graphics donated services for the design and layout. Printing will be done by Litho



Festival poster: The limited-edition Ice Sculpture Spectacular poster features last year's award-winning carving "Be Bop." The commemorative poster will sell for \$5 and all proceeds will benefit the ice show and the Plymouth-Canton high school

Teens explore plight of homeless

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Monday was boxing night at Geneva Presbyterian in Canton. No one wore gloves. But it was for a good cause, to raise money for the Coalition on Temporary Shelter (COTS) in Detroit and

the Plymouth Salvation Army. Some 30 senior high school students spent Monday night in the church parking lot to learn first hand how the homeless struggle

The kids bundled up and spent the night in boxes from 9 p.m. to

est, from First United Methodist Church," said Dave Willerup, a pastoral intern from New Bruns-

The activity took place on Box-

that their gifts came in. "Some people here may think of

wick Theological Seminary in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

ing Day, a Canadian and English holiday the day after Christmas, when people collect aims and clothing for the poor in the boxes

t as the day when you take everything back," Willerup joked. Willerup also spent the night.

boxes - their houses for the night. Willerup's came from ABC

The group had only the clothes on their backs, a sleeping bag and

enough, but we don't want to make them sick," Willerup said. The boxes insulate very well. Their struggle was only for the

night, but Willerup predicted the experience will stay with them a lifetime. "We want to bring home the fact that it is not just crazy

Willingness to bear another's burden is another lesson stressed

"This season has been rough on charities," Willerup said. The absence of snow and harsh weather makes people less apt to empath ize with the continual needs of the homeless," he said.

Snow clothes, toys and non perishables are sought for COTS For more information, call Sister Cecilia Mark at (313) 831-3777.

Likewise, the Plymouth Salva

Resident reports cellular phone theft

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dents which occurred during the his 1993 Ford Ranger. past week in Canton.

A Ranier Street resident reported his NEC cellular phone, val-

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ued at \$515, stolen Dec. 23 from from a building on Warren Dec. Assault and Battery A \$400 doorwall was stolen

A Canton man reported a drill (\$265), air compressor (\$452) and an air stapler (\$250) were stolen

from a home under construction

on Glastenbury Dec. 22.

1986 Oldsmobile stolen from Lil-Bowling equipment valued at more than \$600 was stolen from a Milcroft Court residence Dec. 24.

A Canton youth, 17, reported Dec. 22 that another Canton youth, 17, assaulted him at Salem

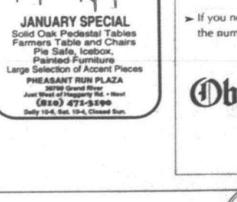
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NEWSPAPERS



Father and sons: Stan Kovacheff (second from left) threw a party for his four sons (from left) Steven, Jonathon. Greg and George after the Canadian residents became

partners in the world. It's a big filled out forms, paid a \$65 fee,

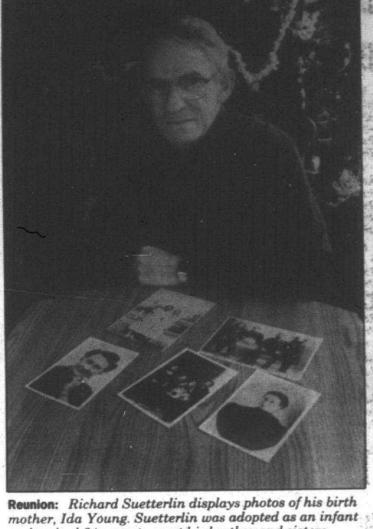
London, Ont., but also wanted to behind a pane of glass. become a U.S. citizen. "I'm pretty settled in Canada,

but why not keep all your options open?" he said. "Not many people get the chance to become a citizen of two countries. You never know where a window might open, even if it's not until the time of retire-

George, enrolled in chiropractic college in New York, is grateful he'll have the choice of practicing in Canada or the U.S. after he

There wasn't much fanfare at

bration at his house Thanksgiving weekend, 1993. A banner emblazoned with American flags read, "Congratulations, Fabulous Four." Four flags decorated a red, white and blue cake, and red, white, and blue carnations graced the table.



and waited 64 years to meet his brother and sisters.

Reunion with family makes Christmas special

The Observer/ THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1994

BY MELISSA PREDDY STAFF WRITER

Richard Suetterlin received a Christmas present from his big brother Fred this year for the first time ever - at age 64.

The gift, a bag of peanut brittle, Suetterlin's Canton house by 78year-old Fred Young. The two had never met before last summer, when Suetterlin found his longlost family in Bay City, Mich.

His mother, Ida Young, was 38, a widow with seven children, when she gave birth to him on July 19, 1930. She couldn't make ends meet on the \$18 a month she received from the government and most of the children were living with relatives or in a juvenile home. She didn't tell them of her pregnancy or the newborn baby called John Edward. "I named she named John Edward. When he was 12 days old, he was given

Detroit to raise as their own. Re-named Richard Suetterlin, the boy's adoptive mother died in belt design at Ford Motor Co. for more than 25 years. The couple's

Gathering: Richard Suetterlin of Canton met his siblings for the first time last July. They are (left to right)

1941 and he learned he was adopted in 1944. He'd had suspicions earlier, when neighborhood children taunted him

Margaret Saunders, Fred Young, Gladys Woods, and Richard Suetterlin.

Suetterlin waited 50 years to search, he said, because he didn't know the exact circumstances of his birth. Thinking Ida might have been a young unwed mother. he stayed away rather than disrupt her life.

"Put it this way - would you want your child busting in when you were happily married and no one knew you ever had a baby?" Married in 1952, Suetterlin and his wife, Sue, kept busy raising he said. five children. The first-born was

him after myself, you might say," Suetterlin smiles.

parents with seven grandchildren Retired three years ago, Suetterlin had more time to consider searching for his birth family. It wasn't a decision he took

four other children, now in their

30s and 40s, have presented their

"It's something you sit on. Some kids today think they need to rush out and find their roots right away. I didn't need any roots. I was very well established with my father and stepmother,

husband's search. "I couldn't even imagine what it felt like,"

cident - a sad source of irony to dren's Home in Bay City, where his father, who worked on seat the adoption was handled Suetterlin identified himself. "I The file includes a handwritten just knew there was another log that describes "Baby John" as

> apparently real bright." Later entries note that the child was placed in an "ideal home" and "in every way turning out fine." The log ends when the rectly to Young's Bay City resiadoption became official in 1932.

The file also identified Suetter-

"a fine healthy child, mentally

lin's birth parents and siblings. He and his wife drove to Bay City to hunt for Ida Young's grave, and a sympathetic cemetery director copied the Young listings in the phone book. There were two Fred Youngs listed, but it took Suetterlin awhile to get through to the

> "We went back and forth three times on the darn tape deck," he

at the age of 29 in a 1983 auto acrecords from the Lutheran Chilbetter be there!" Young was finally home, and

> child," Young responded. He said all the children thought that there was a secret in the family. Finally, on July 20th, 64 years and one day after his birth, Suetterlin and his wife drove di-

said, 'Hello, little brother!'" recalled Suetterlin. "They just took me right in."

The resemblance between the two men was striking. Sisters Margaret, 75, and Gladys, 80, were also on hand to meet their brother. Another sibling, Marie, 76, lives in Florida. James,

Floyd and Ethel Mae have all

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wanted the privilege. They quib-bled until Young jokingly told Suetterlin "pay attention to your big brother.

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bers have exchanged several vis-Florida. They keep in touch with calls and letters. "Fred calls me every week, or I call him," said Suetterlin. "Marie calls me every

two weeks from Florida." A big family reunion is in the works for 1995.

Suetterlin was touched to mother, dating from her old age all the way back to her turn-ofthe-century childhood.

"They just opened up their alburns and gave me everything they had," he said, "Some people Suetterlin planned to take the would clamp down and say, hey,

Family ties prompt them to pursue U.S. citizenship

If there's a local family tailormade for celebrating Christmas American-style and Boxing Day in the Canadian tradition, it's the Kovacheffs of Plymouth Town

Home for the holidays were brothers Gregory, Jonathon, George and Steven, all residents of Canada who recently obtained U.S. citizenship through their dad, Stan Kovacheff.

The elder Kovacheff was born in the U.S., but lived and raised his children in Windsor before moving back in 1990. Kovacheff's first wife, the boys' mother, died 1975, and Kovacheff moved back to the U.S. after remarrying.

Although his sons are still offi cially citizens and residents of Canada, "they're entitled to 'derivative' citizenship because am on American citizen," said Kova cheff, a Plymouth Township resi dent. "They are, in effect, entitled to dual citizenship because they retain their Canadian citizen-

The youngest son, Steve, was the first to pursue U.S. citizenship in 1993.

"I always thought I might want to move here, or take a couple years and travel," said Steve, who s taking time off from college to start up an advertising company n Windsor. He's enrolled at the Iniversity of Western Ontario, studying economics and business.

The idea appealed to Jonathon as well. An attorney working as a onsultant for Ernst & Young in Toronto, he said, "With the world becoming smaller, the more you can cross borders into integrated markets, the easier it is. It's a real

tween the two greatest trading brothers presented documents. and were sworn by an official who The eldest son, Gregory, has an asked each of them to raise their established dental practice in right hand and take an oath from

the occasion with flair at a cele-

Among the hardships of having strong ties to the U.S., the brothers agree, is suffering among the ranks of weary Lions, Pistons and Toronto's U.S. Consulate where Tiger fans. "We need a therapist citizenship was granted after the as a result," said Gregory.

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community's first district judgeship in 1968 and served for years before retiring in 1984. He died of cancer in Sarasota

Fla., Dec. 22, leaving his wife,

Martha; daughters Kay Cole of Arizona and Susanne Steffes o Livonia; and six grandchildren. The North Carolina-born Davis was eulogized by the Rev. Paul F. White and former U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, his friend and tennis

am no longer the same." A police escort comprised of "His wife, Martha, said Dunbar seven law enforcement agencies never lost heart," said White. led the funeral procession - in-'His secret wasn't who he was, terrupted by a train - to River but who he served. He loved life side Cemetery. As many noted, it because he lived in love. He had is a fitting place for Davis to be so many friends. That's why so buried. Riverside sits in the shad many of you are here. What a ow of the hall of justice that bears great world this would be if each his name, and it's one of the of us made the effort to be a bit piaces where the physically-fit more like Dunbar. Pursell said Davis, his closest

udge did his daily runs. A Southern gentleman in the truest sense of the word, Davis ple to my family of what leaderwas known for dispensing justice

common sense and fairness

by everyone who knew him." "If you knew Dunbar for more Davis - who graduated in 1933 than five minutes, he quoted a from Indiana's Earlham College poem, Scripture, or part of a hymn for you," said White. "The where he played baseball and tennis, and from the University of day before he died, he kept sing-Michigan Law School in 1936 ing over and over the words to the was well-respected by his peers. Retiring Judge James Garber, hymn 'He Touched Me': "Shac kled by a heavy burden, 'neath a who like Davis served the 35th load of guilt and shame, then the hand of Jesus touched me, and I

District Court for 16 years, practiced law before him and served on the bench with Davis for six "He was the old Southern gentleman. That was his persona, and his judicial persona. I don't know that Dunbar Davis always

followed the exact letter of the law; his overriding concern was to Garber recalled discussing with Davis an arcane Supreme Court

ways found it was better to let the Supreme Court run their court school teacher, and Lowe later be-

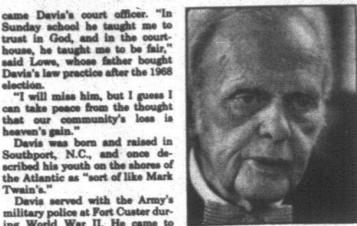
the way they want to, and for us Christ-like manner, he lived a simple lifestyle and was respected to run this court the way we want to. They're just another group of

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Davis's philosophy was to "give people their day in court, and then decide the thing," said

Retired 17th District Judge John Dillon was sworn in with Davis in 1968. "I always thought he had a good courtroom treated everyone with respect," he said. "He knew the law, and was always prepared. He kept decorum in his courtroom; all the things I tried to do.'

ing World War II. He came to Plymouth in 1939 and started a Court officer Walter Abick law practice, working as an attorcalled Davis "the nicest guy in for 30 years. He belonged to the world." the First Baptist Church, the Judge-elect Ron Lowe - to be Plymouth Rock Lodge No. 47 F & sworn in Jan. 5 as the newest 35th District judge - considered Dav-AM and the evening Kiwani Club of Plymouth. He was buried



Among the big events in 1994

were an unsuccessful attempt by

the county executive to take over

environmental regulation in

Wayne County, completion of Schoolcraft College's \$7.8 million

student services center and the

three Republicans on the county

board for the first time ever.

down at the end of 1994.

and two daughters.

for election in June.

other counties.

February

January

November elections, which put

Veteran U.S. Rep. William

Ford surprised many people by

announcing his retirement. The

30-year congressman stepped

Among the candidates to re-

Amann, who announced his can-

ered a heavy favorite to win. But

Amann pulled out of the race

March 14, saying he wanted to

chose Livonia resident and former

Livonia Board of Education

chairwoman Carol Strom to fill a

hoard vacancy. Strom will be up

bus line solicited the suggestions

of employers as to how bus routes

might be changed to accommo

The Wayne County Commis-

sion voted to require county gov-

The managers of the SMART

A Southern gentleman: Judge Dunbar Davis was known for his gentility and

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church or the from the Schrader-Howell Funer-

Garber from page 1A

Even though his days in dis- a wealth of experience and histor trict court were winding down, the ical knowledge of this area. We'll 61-year-old Garber wasn't acting miss him.

"Judge Garber is funny but serious, and fair but firm," said Jackson. "I've seen him joke with people, but when it's time to put his foot down, he puts his foot

Attorney Kurt Riedel appeared before Garber the same day.

'He takes a very serious situa tion and has an ability to make it tolerable for all of us, not only for the attorney, but for everyone who uses the court. He's able to come down from that lofty position and identify with people," Riedel said. Garber's court reporter, Carole Goodfellow, agreed, "He would be the judge that I would want my

friends and family in front of, because he is so fair," she said. Attorney Dennis Shrewsbury dropped in to say goodbye to Garber last week. "Judge Garber court," Shrewsbury said. "He has

document that was not made

friend for 50 years, "was an exam-

Deciding to retire

After serving three terms, Carber chose not to seek re-elec tion last November. He said it's time for new blood in 35th Dis trict Court.

"If I haven't used all my ideas by now, it's about time someone else had the chance," he said dur ing a break from packing boxes and visiting with well-wishers in his chambers Tuesday. (Among them was Judge-elect Ron Lowe, whom Carber will swear in Jan.

"I've been a lawyer almost 37 years and on the bench for 16. That doesn't mean I'm not going to sit." he said. After a vacation with his wife

Marianne, Garber will hear a medical malpractice case in Wayne County Circuit Court. In April, he'll assist Oakland County Circuit Court with its drug dock-

Voyles said a second pay sched-

"The likelihood is I will be sitting 15-20 weeks out of the year," said Garber, who's received offers from five or six law firms since

announcing his retirement

Regrets? He's got a few This court is really more like an extended family than anything else," said Garber. "It was a tradi started by Dunbar Davis kept alive by (Judge) John (Mac-Donald) and me. People pretty much know what's going on in ev-

> ervone's lives." Some of Garber's friendships date back decades, such as that with Judy Richardson who joined the court 20 years ago and has worked her way up to chief clerk "It's the people more than anything else that I'll miss," Garber

"Judge Garber is a very warm person. He brings us candy from the bulk food store and stops in to talk to us before he takes the bench. He's that nice. Those are

dressed employees' concerns

about earning less under the new

scale. "I see here we have ad-

The township's non-union em-

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dressed that point," he said.

plete job analysis.

Belding said Garber is "unique among judges in that he has this administrative ability to see where the court should go. He can visualize those types of goals and move toward them. I'm going to miss him because he is so open; easy to have fun with; be frank with; and still accomplish a lot."

newly elected judges. "He's been our senior adviser the person many of us go to. He's the kind of judge everyone wants to be just like," she said. "When I was first elected, I went to see him. I know I wasn't the first, and

To the hall of justice

some of the cherished moments I'm going to miss. They're hard to

Davis was Lowe's Sunday

Court administrator Marion

that I won't be the last. I hate to

Westland District Judge Gail McKnight has valued Garber's leadership and willingness to help

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specific language to ensure that

with job changes or promotions

they would not earn less money

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the Dec. 20 meeting.

High School, Albion College and the University of Michigan Law School, Garber worked as a staff attorney for the Wayne County sel for the Wayne County Board

trust in God, and in the court-

house, he taught me to be fair," said Lowe, whose father bought

"I will miss him, but I guess I can take peace from the thought

Davis was born and raised in

scribed his youth on the shores of

the Atlantic as "sort of like Mari

Davis served with the Army's

military police at Fort Custer dur

of Supervisors and chief trial attorney for the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. He also served as chief of the prosecutor's office criminal division and executive director of the Criminal Justice Institute. He was managing part-Bramlage firm before running for Garber, husband of Marianne,

father of three sons and grandfather of seven, convinced the five municipalities served by 35th District Court to build in Plymouth in 1981, rather than contin ue operating out of makeshift offices in Canton, Northville and Plymouth. The Dunbar Davis come one of the few financially self-sufficient district courts in

> **Bypassing Hollywood** Garber passed up a chance to

after handling the Leonard Tyburski case, in which a Canton man was accused of murdering his wife and hiding her body in his basement freezer.

We had Reuters, CNN and the National Inquirer in the courtroom," recalled Garber. "I even got calls from producers of TV

"Things will go on quite well. I leave with a great deal of satisfac tion that the court is in good shape. I'd like to think it's in bet ter shape than when I got here 16 years ago, and that it will be in better shape yet 16 years from now. I'm sure John MacDonald and Ron Lowe will ensure that things go very well. The future looks extremely bright for 35th District Court.

After the judge took his 96 vear-old mother. Helen, to the dentist, Marianne Garber stopped by to take her husband to lunch and help him pack. "I'm kind of happy he's retiring," she said. " think it's time to smell the roses

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Meeting called to order at 4:25 p.m. Present: Thomas Yack, Kathleen Reen-McCarthy, Karen Baja. The agenda was adopted, as amended. The minutes of the November 28, 1994 mates of the November 38, 1994 meeting were approved, as presented. Man. No. 145: Requisition No. 146 and Operational Expenses totalling

\$362,712.67 were approved. Engineer Certificate No. 28 for final payment to Michigan Sewer Country tion and Maintenance Report for the month of Nov

Resolution regarding the DWSD Rate Case was adopted. Amendment for the pump expenditure was approved. Motion was approved to pursue resolution with Goulds. Update on YCUA's effluent was given. A discussion took place on the agenda formst. The meeting was adjourned at E15 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK, Chairman This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices, 46005 Joy Rd., Canton, MI 48187. Publish December 15, 1661.

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> one-third of the cost of health in- July surance for employees of small businesses. Employers and employees are required to pay one third each.

Madonna University's sixth an nual Around the World Scholarship Dinner Auction raised approximately \$250,000 for the university's scholarship fund. The Wayne County Commis-

sion passed an ordinance requiring McNamara to put commissioners' names on signs that he puts his own name on. (Plawecki and Beard favored the ordinance. Amann, Thaddeus McCotter and McCotter and Amann opposed it.) Gov. John Engler addressed Michelle Plawecki opposed the graduates at Schoolcraft College rule while Kay Beard favored it.) despite the opposition of School At the time only 439 individuals

craft's faculty. Teachers were upout of 5,137 employees lived in set with Engler over his handling Wayne County Executive Edof education-related issues. ward McNamara continued a bid to take over much of the regulato-The SMART bus system saved ry functions of the state Depart an estimated \$500,000 by consolidating four major routes with the ment of Natural Resources, bu the enabling legislation he needed

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Wayne County chief assistant prosecutor George Ward won a decision of the state Court of Appeals. The court backed up Ward's assertion that parolees who commit felonies must serve the remaining portion of the sentences they were paroled for before beginning their second sentence. The Department of Corrections later appealed the ruling.

The primary election on Aug. 2 revealed few surprises, as almost all incumbents running for re election won their nominations In the race to replace retiring Rep William Ford, Republican John Schall and Democrat Lynn Rivers emerged victorious from their pri-

Schoolcraft College trustees approved a four-year contract with the faculty union that gives teachers annual raises of 3.5 per-

The county commission dered Ameritech to charge its customers a 4-percent fee on phone bills to pay for 911 emergency phone service. (Voting for the fee were Plawecki and Beard.

McCotter voted against it.)

Schoolcraft College completed

work on its newest building, a \$7.8-million edifice called the McDowell Center, named after the college president, Richard McDowell. Citing budget problems,

McNamara and the county commission slashed \$500,000 from the county parks budget for fiscal 1995. Commissioners vowed to find additional funding for parks. but none has been turned up so

The midterm elections turned out great for Republicans nationally, but many Michigan Democrats held their seats. McNamara was re-elected to a third term. Democrat Lynn Rivers beat Re publican John Schall for the honor of replacing retiring congress On the Republican side, Can-

Township resident Bruce Patterson was elected to the county commission. With the addition of Patterson, there are now three Republicans on the 15member board.

Later in the month the county

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sengers to gamble in. The idea is

Airports and Public Services.

licans on the 15-member county commission. commissioner, Bryan Amann had commission voted to replace resigning Chairman Arthur the rules changed so he could con-Blackwell, D-Detroit, with comtinue to receive health insurance missioner Ricardo Solomon, Dafter leaving the board Dec. 31. Detroit. Solomon named Redford Amann, 37, threatened to sue the Township's commissioner, Micounty if the minimum age rechelle Plawecki, as chair of the

GOP gains: With the elec-

tion of Canton Township

resident Bruce Patterson,

there are now three Repub

The U.S. Department of Justice accused Wayne County government of widespread civil rights abuse at the county youth home for juvenile offenders. Federal investigators say the home is overcrowded and the residents are In his last meeting as a county poorly treated.

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face rerouting through mid-1996 flow, less air pollution and a more as construction of an underpass at the CSX railroad tracks begins in January.

The long-awaited, \$9 million project will eventually mean a smoother road and uninterrupted drive on Merriman between the l-96 expressway and Plymouth Road, said Livonia Mayor Robert down on Merriman is tentatively

"We will have to put up with the dirt, the traffic congestion and inconvenience during construc-

Merriman Road drivers will term benefits of smoother traffic attractive and safer road condition will make it all worthwhile,"

During most of the construction period, existing traffic on Merriman will be carried around the project on a temporary, fourlane road. A total traffic shutscheduled for 30 days in May June, 1995.

Once construction is completed drivers will go through an undertion, but I know that the long- pass, similar to the one on

road tracks. The underpass will eliminate delays and backups on the heavily traveled road. The one-mile stretch of Merri-

main post office, Ameritech and other area businesses. The road will also be widened and resurfaced, according to Raul Galindo, Livonia city engineer.

man provides access to Livonia's

The project cost includes engineering, right-of-way acquisition, relocation of utilities, bridge construction, road construction, inspection, testing and project man-

Canton hunter gets three deer

Phil Soupis of Canton got three deer this season — a doe on Nov. 16, an eight-point buck on Nov. 18 and a second doe Nov. 20. They were all tak-

one year, I was pretty happy,"

Soupis, who had hunted near Cadillac the past 25 years, said he didn't get a deer the last three years. "I made up for it in hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ers in its Buck Pole column, a regular feature of the newspaper that runs through the various deer seasons. To report a successful kill, call us at 459-2700. Our office

The Observer uses the

names of successful deer hunt-

OBITUARIES

MILDRED D. TRUCKS

Arrangments for Mildred D. Trucks, 89, of South Lyon, for merly of Plymouth, were made b ermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home. Burial was at United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth. She was born in Detroit and died in Providence Hospital in South field. She was a stenographer for

many years with Ford Motor Co. She is survived by her daugh ters, Karyl Ann Buff of Reed City.

and Erna Ruth Kienbaum of Al buquerque, N.M.; sisters, Thelma Bondville of Plymouth, Goldia Osborn of Plymouth, and Ruth Gillham of Arizona; brother, Ken neth Masak of South Lyon; five grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren.

JOHN F. GRUSS

Services for John F. Grubb, 76,

were Dec. 23, at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home, with the Rev. Bryan D. Smith officiating. Burial was in Knollwood Memorial

Grubb came to this community in 1956 from Pontiac. He was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, and died Wednesday, Dec. 21, at his residence in Plymouth Township He was in the U.S. Army, and worked at General Motors, Hydramatic Divison in the purchas ing department, and retiring in

1976. He was a member of the Plymouth Lions Club and the lymouth Seniors.

being used.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth V. Grubb; sons, Paul E. Grubb of Dallas, Texas, Robert K. Grubb of Hartland, Mich., and Glenn A. Grubb of Brighton, Mich.; sister. Dorothea Thum of Lake Mary. Fla.; and nine grandchildren. Memorials may be made to

Livonia's share will be paid out

of a \$12 million bond issue for

road improvements approved by

voters in 1989. Federal and

Wayne County funds are also

announced three years ago, be-came more complicated largely

because of right-of-way acquisi

tion and and relocation of utili

contractor under the supervision

Bennett said the project, first

Community Hospice Services, 32932 Warren Road, Suite 100 ARNIE MILLER MACFARLANE

A chapel service for Arnie Miller MacFarlane, 96, formerly of Plymouth was Tuesday, Dec. 27. with Dr. James Skimins, of the First Presbyterian Church, of Plymouth officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, in De-

He was born in Thornliebank, Scotland, and died Wednesday,

Dec. 21, at Charlestown Nursing Center, in Catonsville, Md. He was a lunch room manager for the Detroit Board of Education, retir ing after 20 years. He was a mem her of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth and Plymouth Eastern Star.

He is survived by his son, Donald R. MacFarlane of Maryland; sister, Mina Webster, and two

MILITARY NEWS

To submit your military announcement, send the material arinted or typewritten, to: Bridge Moran, Plymouth-Canton Observer. 744 Wing, Plymouth, Mich.

RETURNED TO GULF John A. Brock, Navy petty officer ard class, son of Donald F. Brock of Canton, recently returned to the Persian Gulf aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Wash ington in response to another cri sis in Iraq. Brock is one of more than 5 000 sailors and marines assigned to the carrier and its air wing. He recently traveled from the Mediterranean Sea, through the Suez Canal and Red Sea, to the Persian Gulf. The 1990 gradu

ste of South Sumter High School

in Bushnell, Fla., joined the Navy

Navy Petty Officer 3rd class Larry S. Ferguson, son of Larry G. Ferguson of Plymouth, is midway through a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian oceans with the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, based in San Diego. Ferguson's ship is the lead ship of its battle group, consisting of an aircraft carrier with nine aircraft squadrons, three guided missile cruisers, a guided missile frigate, an ammunition ship, a replenishment oiler and two attack ubmarines. The USS Kitty Hawk Battle Group deployment not only provides a forward de-

ployed presence in an area of stra-

tegic importance, but it also rein-

S DEPLOYMENT

Navy Fireman Stephen P. Hoffman, son of Adrian G. and Marie T. Hoffman of Canton, is midway through a six-month deploymen to the Western Pacific and Indian oceans with the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, based in San Diego. The 1987 graduate of Bish op Borgess High School of Redford joined the Navy in November

E BASIC TRAINING

Navy Seaman Recruit Scott H Schlusler, son of Henry A. and Holly S. Schlusler of Plymouth, recently completed U.S. Navy ba-

forces commitment to U.S. allies in the Pacific. The 1990 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School joined the Navy in June 1990.

sic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Sa-

Ryan P. Gaines, a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton, the son of Lesa and Samuel Gaines of Canton, enlist ed in the United States Army for a four-year, 17-week tour of duty in the infantry. He is scheduled to report for active duty in February 1995, and is slated to receive training at Fort Benning, Ga.

M GRADUATED

Marine 2nd Lt. Albert K. Kim. son of Jung M. and Sook H. Kim of Canton, recently graduated from The Basic School. He is a 1987 graduate of Plymouth Salem

High School. Kim is a 1993 grad uate of Michigan State University, with a bachelor of science de-

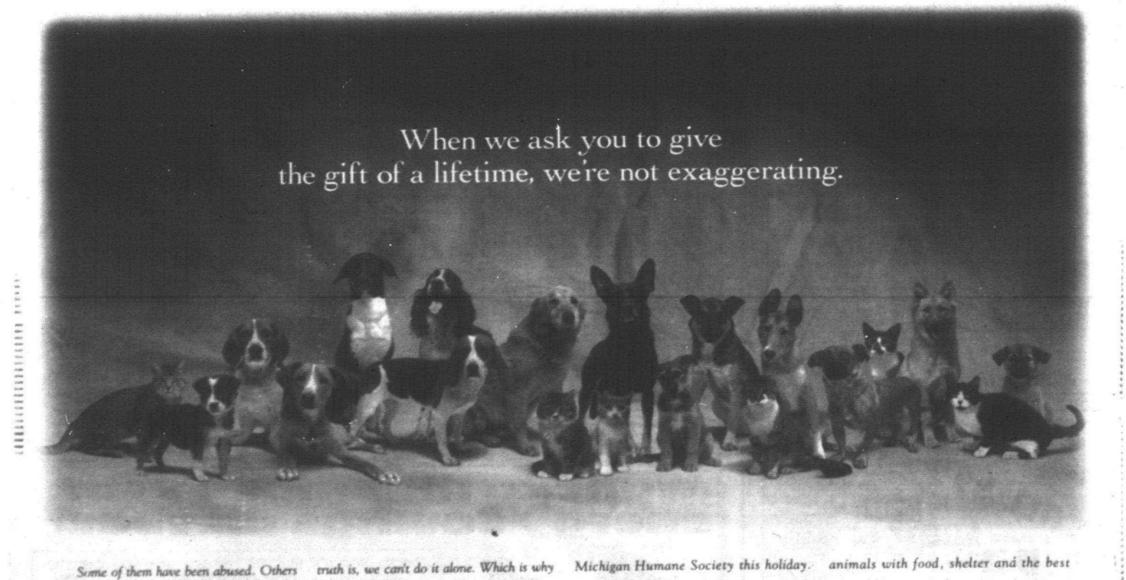
B DEPLOYMENT Marine Pfc. Joseph M. Hayes, son

of Thomas D. and Kathy T. Haves of Canton, recently returned from a six-month deploy ment to the Mediterranean Sea and Indian Ocean with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit while assigned to the USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group. Hayes's involvement in the deployment is an example of how the Navy-Marine Corps team is designed to operate overseas and respond quick ly when needed. Whether delivering humanitarian assistance, cargo, or troops from the sea, these highly-trained naval forces

provide a unique crisis-response option, which can be withdrawn uickly when no longer needed. The 1992 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School joined the Marine Corps in February 1993.

DEPLOYMENT Navy Lt. William C. Murphy, son

of William and Ethel Murphy of Plymouth, has returned home to San Diego from a six-month deployment to the Indian and West ern Pacific oceans and the Persian Gulf with the amphibious transport dock USS Cleveland The 1977 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School joined the Navy in April 1985. Murphy is a 1981 graduate of Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., with a bachelor of science degree.



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is open through Sunday. Enter Hines Drive at Merriman Road in Westland and proceed one-way to the exit at Warren Avenue in Dearborn Heights.

A \$5 donation is requested The annual "Christmas Light Display" is open 6-10 p.m. through Sunday, Jan. 8 at Domi no's Farms. Admission is \$5 per car

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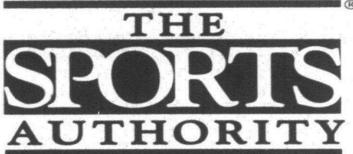
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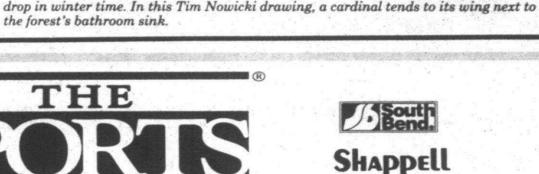
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FAMILY ROOM



KAREN MEIER

The final exam — Meier's way

t's just two days away. I can't believe it! I just can't believe it, 1994 went by so fast. For me it was a really, really good year. One of the best. I loved being in the "Family Room" with you every week. I've loved sharing the little things, the mostly pretty insignificant things, the we're-all-in-this-together things, the real things of real life. I've also loved the times when you've shared back. The calls (except maybe one), the letters (again, except maybe one) and the chance meetings have all inspired me and fueled me. Thanks for making the "Family Room" part of your home.

So with the old year ending and all, I thought it would be neat to see where the "Family Room" has been in 1994. And then I thought that just giving a run-of-the-mill summary list wouldn't be any fun. So I invented a contest. Actually, it's a test and a contest, and end-of-the-year final exam. If you do really well on the exam, you can win a cool prize. I'll tell you about that in a jiffy. First

The Rules

 On a piece of blank paper, print the following information: Your name. Your address. Your phone number. The best time to call you. 2. Number your paper 1 through 10. You will

be taking a multiple choice test.

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Putting her mark on 'XTINCT'

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Five years after graduating from Livonia Franklin High School, Anne Marie Kanakis now knows she made the right decisions about her college education. She has a job, a husband and the opportunity to produce her own fulllength film.

BY KYLE GREEN



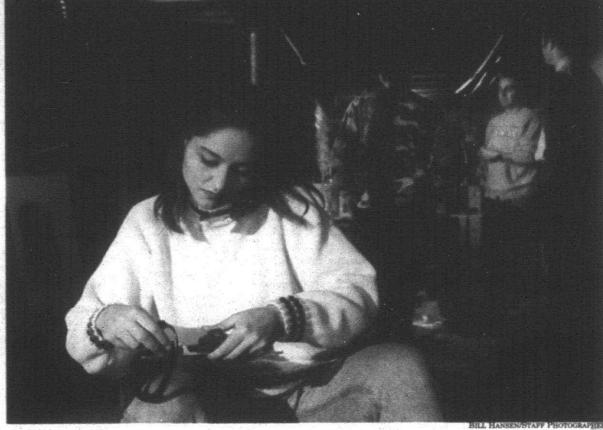
Twenty-fouryear-old Anne Marie Kanakis refused to attend her five-year class reunion last summer. The 1988 Livonia Franklin

High School graduate thinks she had good reason.

"I figured I really had nothing to discuss," Kanakis said, a member of the 500-member graduating class who described herself as the "soccer player, theater and straight A" student type

My group of friends in high school were really unique people. We were all focused and had ideas planned out and we were all just really driven," she said, adding that her immediate friends are all univer-sity graduates. "We are waiting to go back to our 10th (reunion) so we can discuss all of our accomplishments."

Since June 1988, Kanakis has done a lot. She earned a bachelor of arts degree in film and television production and communications from the University of Michigan and currently works as a production assistant for Academy Award winning documentary film maker Sue Marx. In June she wed her boyfriend of four years, Mike Pacitto, and bought a home in Troy



Nary a moment: While rehearsing goes on behind her for the film "XTINCT," producer Anne Marie Kanakis uses the brief down time to make a few phone calls.

Come the next class reunion. Kanakis will have plenty to discuss, she said. Since midsummer, she has been producing Pacitto's independent film "XTINCT," a visual attack on the Generation X films that will expose the realistic morals and attitudes of the nameless generation.

The full-length film has been on weekend-only production schedule since the end of August and is being shot on locations throughout metropolitan Detroit, including alleys in Royal Oak, the Wayne State University campus, and a gas station near Tiger Stadium. It's scheduled be completed in the spring.

With the correct marketing and audience target, Kanakis hopes 'XTINCT" will launch her and Pacitto into the film industry.

An aspiring producer since she was in high school when she worked on the Detroit-based public televi-sion program "Club Connect,"

Kanakis enrolled in Wayne State's Law School this past fall term simply because she thought she wanted to do so, she said.

"I was in law school for all the wrong reasons and I would not have been happy until I produced a movie, and this was right under my nose," she said.

Obvious as it might have been to her, some convincing was required

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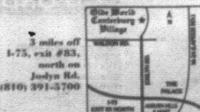
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Writer forms friendships carefully, is devoted and loyal



For years I've your col-

umn but have never taken time to do this. So finally I made myself sit down to write you. I've always been interested to see what my handwriting

I'm 42 years old. I'm married with two children; a son, 17, and a daughter, 16 My husband is a firefighter. I've been a hairdresser for 20 years, and now I'm starting to change my career. I'm working in the public school with spe-

For the past three years I've taken classes for sign language and finally am able to use it with these special education

to convince Pacitto that the time

was right. He gave in knowing his

work rests in good hands, she

Her present production assist-

agt role with Sue Marx not only

inspired her to produce

XTINCT," but granted her solid

experience and references, she

As writer and director, Pacitto

has a large responsibility next to

the camera and working with the

cow members.

twentysomething" actors and

Kanakis describes her positions

as a behind-the scenes role "or-

genizing" schedules, crew mem-

bers, public relations tactics,

equipment, location and food

"It's a little like making sure

all the props are there," Kanakis

said with a hand gesture in mi-

dair and a wrinkled nose. "I'm

sort of treading on new waters on

my own, but you don't know what

make sure that everyone is there

was the X-ers' Mother Teresa,

"What I do on the set is to

even before the cameras roll.

to do until you do it.

and comfortable.

prison ministry with my church. It involves singing for the prisoners. I'm curious to see what you have to say about Thank you for reading.

> Livonia A very special young woman begins to move into focus in today's left-slanted handwriting. This

slant was never taught in American schools. From this fact we know it is a change that she consciously made. So we must consider the reasons for doing it. Research tells us that leftslanters have usually been raised

in a strict atmosphere where much, possibly even perfection, was expected of them. When we combine this with the total picture of her handwriting, we begin to see someone who perceived some rejection as she was growing what she may be experiencing. up. Outwardly she learned to con-

reserved to others. Inside, however, there is emotional activity at

Our writer forms friendships carefully because she has been hurt in the past. She seeks approval from her relationships to compensate for this deprivation. Once a friendship develops she can be loyal and devoted. At times, however, she may feel a little jealous of outside friendships.

Having been exposed to considerable criticism our writer is quite sensitive to criticism of a personal nature. She may even expect it when none is intended. Compliments would be music to her ears, especially from a certain male.

There is worry and some mood fluctuation in this handwriting. At times she is friendlier than at other times. This can be confusing to those who do not know bivalent feelings. She does not want to be held back by past roots. Often she has an inner struggle between reaching out to others and taking care of her own needs. This contradiction can cause indecision for her.

Her desire to move into the world and be helpful is confirmed in many ways (both from the letter and in her handwriting) where she reaches out with love and caring. This can also bring needed benefits by way of approval and appreciation. Someone once said,

To her credit, she has overcome a great deal, but her ego still can use a little positive reinforcement.

The scent always remains on the

hand that gives the rose."

Our writer has a good mind that is constantly probing for answers. She is inclined to investigate and analyze to find answers for herself. Then she decides what she

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frat party: h) code names for vari

ous military operations; c) activi-

ties children engage in in restau

rants which make parents avoid

going out to dinner at all costs; or

) "Saturday Night Live" skits.

8. Karen Meier shops for lip-

stick and blush a) once a week: b)

once a month; c) once a year, or d)

9. Paying \$62.09 for a motel

was a) a really good deal; b) the

biggest rip-off ever in the history

sales clerk at a camping outlet

store in Birch Run; b) a distant

cousin to Anne of Green Gables;

c) an old friend from Grand Rap

lason Kieltyka, Redford

Roy Bates, Westland.

room 30 miles west of Cedar Point

once a decade.

If you are a regular reader of my If you would like to have you column you know of my love of handwriting analyzed in this humor. It can be an asset in keepnewspaper write to Lorene C. ing one's perspective. I am Green, certified graphologist at pleased to see the humor in this 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150. handwriting sample. I know it can Please use a full sheet of white. ingratiate her to others. Readers unlined paper, writing in the first Digest says that "Laughter is the person singular. Age, signature best medicine." I agree, don't and handedness are all helpful. you? Here's one with both humor and wisdom. "The cat and what

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6. Enter as many times as you'd like, but be sure each entry

nakis scrambling for the answers, 1. Cajase is a) an illegal subbut always with a smile and a "My worst attribute as a direc ami; c) an acronym for Crumbs tor," said Pacitto, "is stroking and Junk Accumulated Since people. I don't yell at people, but Easter, or d) Cajun-style milk my mind is so cluttered I forget to say, 'Hey, thanks,' " said Pacitto,

24. of his wife's role. Six years ago Kanakis dreamed of attending New York University Film School, which would have allowed her an easy avenue to the film industry, but her parents persuaded her to attend the University of Michigan, Kanakis

Today she views it as good ad "I do know people who attend

granting sincere gestures of loving

care while roaming through cast

and crew members, answering

questions and making sugges-

During the shoot, questions of

extra electrical cords and possible

lighting location ideas left Ka-

ed NYU and are \$80,000 in debt and without a job," she said. "I During a shooting in the cou- kind of believe that if you have ple's modest Troy home's back the persistence and you have the yard late one evening, Kanakis drive, you will get what you want.

stance which is very bad for you; b) a new dance originating in Mi-

2. The day Joe got his first pair of glasses he a) vanked them off his face a bunch of times and wouldn't wear them; b) developed hideous deep red grooves on either side of his head because the glasses were way too tight; c) ate maggots; or d) all of the above.

3. Halloween Night '94 was a) clear and mild and a lot like a night in Hawaii; b) snowy like Alaska; c) cold and rainy like Michigan; or d) cold and rainy and without electricity and heat like Michigan 100 years ago.

4. "Blurp" and "bluck" are

words referring to a) the act of barfing b) two egg-shaped charac ters in a children's play; c) the next door neighbor's dog and cat;

5. Karen Meier goes to rock concerts at the rate of a) once a week; b) once a month; c) once a year; or d) once a decade.

or d) Mackinac Island fudge fla-

6. On July 20, 1959, a) men landed on the moon for the very first time; b) there was a beach party at Long Lake; c) a certain columnist turned 12 years old; d) all of the above; or e) none of the

Spoon wars, sugar pyramids baptisms by pop, See-Food episodes, exploding diapers are a) hilarious elements of a really good

and sausages from floating away into Grand Traverse Bay; or d) a character in the old "Batman'

That's it. You're all done.

The Cool Prize Now for the information about the cool prize. If you get 100 percent, you win. I'll call you and tell you the good news. And then, here's the cool part, I'll make you the feature of an upcoming "Family Room" column. So be ready with some sort of story about your life. Remember, it can be an insignificant type of story, a we'reall-in-this-together sort of story. You know, a real story from your

In the event a bunch of you qualify for the top prize, I'll probably call all of you. And you'll get a chance to tell your story. In separate. It'll be like a talk show, in the newspaper! Move over, Oprah!

If you have a question or com-10. Anna of Green Tarp is a) a ment for Karen Meier, call her at 953-2047, mailbox number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, or write her at The Observer Newspapers. ids who prevented the camp coffee 36251 Schooleraft, Livonia 48150

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The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduste of Plymouth-Canton High School. She is currently an honor student, enrolled in the teaching program, at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. She will graduate in April 1995.

Her fiance is a 1988 graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School. He is employed as a firefighter for



Boice-Claar

Raymond and Joyce Boice of Plymouth announce the engage ment of their daughter, Susan Frances, to Adam Jeffry Claar, son of Leslie and Helen Claar of Novi, formerly of Farmington

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Troy High School in Troy, N.Y., and Oakland Community College

Her fiance is a graduate of North Farmington High School and Lawrence Technological University in engineering.

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Canton by the Rev. C. Richard She is the daughter of Richard and Susan Krieger of Canton; he is the son of Lawrence and Veron-

ca Sebuck, also of Canton. The bride, who graduated in December from Central Michigan University, is doing an internship at TRACC in Novi. The groom is a 1994 graduate of Michigan State University and is employed by Carter Wallace in

Sarah Krieger served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Kimber-ly Krieger, Denise Sebuck, Kristen James, Megan Barker and Amy Wagenveld. David Sebuck served as best

man, Groomsmen were Brent



St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia. A honeymoon was planned for December.

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Resolutions

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A Canton agenda for 1995

here were plenty of improvements made in Canton during 1994, but more are needed in 1995. So as the new year approaches, it's time for Canton residents and officials to take a look at what more is needed. To help, we came up with a wish list for Canton for 1995. Write us and outline your list for the new year. In the meantime, here is what we wish the 1995 for Canton Township: Improvements suggested in the Ford Road

Pask Porce should be implemented. A concerted effort should be made to make sure the report doesn't sit on a shelf or get cast aside as other issues take center stage in the - to be New Year Ford Road is all Canton has as a main street and it needs some sprucing up. ■ Keep the promise not to use local tax dollars for the Summit on the Park community center and Pheasant Run Golf Course. Taxpayers were assured both facilities would be self-supporting.

of the Summit on the Park community center | school year down pat before opening so taxpayers never have to bear the burden of the facility.

Cable television. Canton Township officials are right on this one. Omnicom wants to stick the township and city with a 15-year contract. Public officials want one for three years. That makes sense. Technology is changing at a rapid pace and residents should have access

to it and not be stuck with a long contract ■ The widening of Canton Center Road should become a reality to relieve congestion building up along the roadway that serves a growing number of neighborhoods and the

Township officials should make road improvements in Canton their number-one priority. The potential for a road millage should be investigated.

More residents should get involved in local government and attend board meetings to let officials know how they want this community

■ The Canton Public Library should hold informational meetings for the public if it goes for a bond proposal to renovate and expand

■ The Plymouth-Canton schools should find enough money to keep the library at Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem High ■ Township officials should get the operation Schools open for longer periods during the

A study similar to the Ford Road Task Force should be planned for Michigan Avenue

So, when Dec. 31, 1995, rolls around, let's hope we look back and list these goals as accomplishments for the year

Happy New Year

Drivers: Heed MADD's message

and law-enforcement agencies throughout the state, the message, it seems, is finally getting through

We are talking about drinking and driving. Tougher law enforcement and the Mothers Against Drunk Driving-sponsored public awareness campaigns over the last nine years are credited with helping to reduce the number of fatal accidents in Michigan during the New Year's holiday weekend.

Nine years ago MADD started its holiday awareness campaign distributing red ribbons and the slogan of "Tie One On for Safety" to promote sober, responsible driving during the holiday season.

The red ribbons tied on vehicle antennas, mirrors and doors have a special meaning bevond festive decoration: that motorists support sober driving.

As another New Year approaches, we echo MADD's message and urge motorists to join the Red Ribbon force and resolve to only drive

alcohol-free. As Bethany Goodman, executive director of MADD, Michigan, points out, we've come a long way from a time when holidays were an excuse for irresponsible, intoxicated driving. But we have a long way to go. Drunken drivers are a year-round problem. Continued efforts by civic groups, law-enforcement agencies and the courts are needed in the bat-

tle to make our highways safe. The holidays are still high-risk. If you're host-

Claire O'Conno

ing a party, MADD offers some tips to follow. Before any drinking begins, make sure there is a designated driver (one who only drinks non-alcoholic beverages) to ensure that friends have a sober ride home. Serve high-protein food to slow alcohol ab-

guests who prefer them.

Close the bar at least an hour before the end of the party and serve dessert and coffee instead - but remember, coffee doesn't sober; only time does.

without a designated driver.

■ Don't let guests mix their own drinks. Choose a reliable "bartender" who will responsibly pace serving.

As Goodman notes: "Goodwill is at the heart of the holiday spirit. So take the message to heart and 'tie one on for safety.' It's a

Celebrate in a responsible manner and re-

hanks to Mothers Against Drunk Driving | As ... other New Year approaches, we echo MADD's message and urge motorists to join the Red Ribbon force and resolve to only drive alcohol-free.

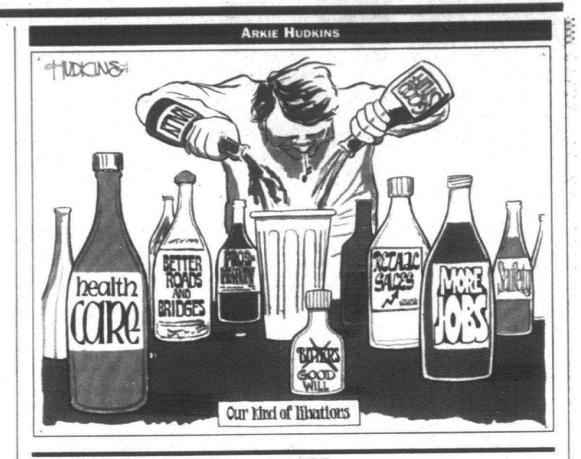
■ Offer plenty of non-alcoholic beverages for

If, in spite of your efforts, you have an impaired guest, take away the car keys.

message of courtesy and caring."

solve to "tie one on for safety."

COMMUNITY VOICE QUESTION: What are your New Year's We asked this any. I don't go it a moment of usual ones question at the Matt Abbott about weight thought.' Don Chastali Canton Public Canton loss and exer-Library. cise. But they Canton will only last a week. So, I'll probably say to be more kind and patient."



LETTERS

Different picture

our article on hiring practices within the Plymouth-Canton Schools was poory researched and filled with gross inaccuracies. No attempt was made to discern facts which show a very different picture. An interview team of 11, including two par-

ents who are our PTO president and treasurer, and nine staff members, interviewed 10 candidates last summer for a teaching position. In an anonymous ranking process (no inter-

view team member knowing how any other had voted), Miss O'Donnell was ranked num-Your article did a disservice to a fine young

educator who won a recommendation for hire because of her talent. It also maligned those of us who work to bring bright, talented people into the school system in a fair and equitable manner. Barbara Young, principal Fiegel Elementary School

Running help e, the undersigned, would like to thank the following businesses for their generous contributions and so thank the following businesses for their generous contributions and support in helping Scott Pengelly, from Plymouth Salem High School, go to the National Cross Country Championship in Reno, Nev., on Dec.

Scott came in 10th out of 250 runners from all over the United States. It was a difficult course with an altitude of 4,800 feet and steep hills, but Scott handled it well. The first 25

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Thank you again for your contribution. Scott Pengelly coach Geoff Baker

School help

n behalf of the IPSEP staff I would like to thank the following local merchants who so generously donated to our annual holiday party at Tanger School. Without their help, it would not have been possible to provide such a special evening for so many families with handicapped preschool children.

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Chamber thanks

ith the hustle and bustle of the holiday season it is so easy to miss the opportunity to thank the people who go out of their way to benefit others. A very special thank-you goes out to Mary Kay Siebel of Days Gone By, who orchestrated Santa's Plymouth visit, from managing his transporta-

tion to feeding the reindeer. Mary Kay is the one who keeps everything running so smoothly. This year First of America Bank and Sealant Equipment and Engineering sponsored Santa's Plymouth visit. They made sure

all his expenses were covered. On behalf of Santa and all the good boys and girls of Plymouth, we send Mary Kay Siebel of Days Gone By, First of America Rank and Sealant Equipment and Engin ing a great big thank-you.

For years to come we will be praising Randy Maycock, Plymouth city firefighter, for building such a beautiful Santa House, and thank you to Bezaire's in Old Village, who donated his time and the beautiful decorations inside the Santa House.

Fran Toney, Plymouth Community Chamber

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POINTS OF VIEW

Archer's agenda needs the patience of a saint

ennis Archer must envy St. Ste-phen of Hungary. Stephen con-verted the Magyar tribe to Christianity in the year 1000. As king. he had a certain advantage. He decided one day that everyone would adopt the Christian faith, snapped his fingers, and it happened.

Or so the books say. Suburbanites have a strong interest in Detroit, even though fewer and fewer of my neighbors go there any more. Nearly half of the city's revenue comes from state and federal aid, and the income tax on commuters is a big chunk of the "local" revenue. Standard Federal Bank, headquartered in Troy, is investing there. Consumers of Little Caesar's pizza are seeing the owner's profits invested in Detroit's theater

district, hockey and baseball teams. Archer, as mayor of Detroit, needs to turn around the city bureaucracy's anti-business, anti-customer attitude. I've heard war stories for many years. Suburban industrialists who former

ly were in Detroit say - off the record that the reasons for their moves were (1) the hostility of residents toward their work force and (2) the never-satisfied response of city inspection teams. A vendor of trash haulers says - off the record - that Detroiters treat him like dirt.

Lawyers who practice in courts in Detroit say - off the record - they are

treated shabbily by court personnel. Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair is asking the state Supreme Court to trim the wings of Detroit Recorders Court judges who too quickly release defendants from jail on habeas corpus

And my brother newsmen who file Freedom of Information requests with the city are treated like spies for South

Archer knows it. In the glut of jubilant celebration over Detroit's designation as an "empowerment zone," a little-noticed news item said he is appointing teams to eliminate city red tape for obtaining permits - a process that currently requires months and visits to as many as eight city departments. The job will require the qualities of a St. Stephen.

President Bill Clinton's "empower ment zone" program has three noteworthy points: ■ It embodies Republican Jack

Kemp's idea of "enterprise zones," where you cut taxes drastically for businesses who will invest. It puts up \$100 million in old-fashioned Democratic "social programs."

As a Detroit newsman put it, Archer didn't just bring home the pork, he brought "the whole hog." That money will be consumed without a trace. It requires cooperation among the city, neighborhood groups and subur-



TIM RICHARD

ban investors putting up \$1.9 billion in job-producing enterprises.

The final point is most important. When Alexander Hamilton was designing an industrial economy 200 years ago, his first step was to woo and win the confidence of business investors. Archer is emulating Hamilton's move.

I took part in a Channel 7 program you can see at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. I, with Archer and several Detroit newspeople. Listen closely to Archer when he talks about the role of "grass roots" efforts. Listen when he praises how "the business community weighs in." Pay attention when he acknowledges the support of U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Hills. Note well the mayor's comment that "I cannot do it all by myself."

One of my favorite movie speeches comes from Marlon Brando in "Viva



Archer role model? An equestrian statue of St. Stephen keeps watch over Matthias Church in Budapest.

tionary, walking away from political power, tells his followers: "You're always looking for leaders, strong men without faults. There aren't any. They change. They desert. They die. There are no leaders but yourselves. A strong people is the only lasting strength." Archer appears to understand that turning around Detroit's anti-business

must lead, but which ultimately is up to the bureaucracy and the people. He has tons of admirers in the suburbs. Lansing and Washington. Now he needs to convert the home folks.

May the spirit of St. Stephen be with

Tim Richard reports on the local im-

leadership - those who took them to

the professional financial and contrac-

tual level they now enjoy. These teach-

"What have you done for me lately?"

In closing, I predict that the over-

whelming majority of teachers will per-

form competently on a daily basis, car-

ing for our children and will contribute

to the fact that public education in the

United States is the finest in the world.

ers have short memories. It's the

Crystal ball shows an eventful 1995 in public schools

upon us, what predictions do you have for education in

ANSWER: Predictions for 1995: Gov. John Engler, with the momentum he has, will come down on the Michigan Education Association as hard or harder in 1995 - defined any way you want. However, Engler will soften his language when speaking about teachers - all of whom vote, most of whom are moderates, and many of whom are (closet) conserva-

Sooner than one would expect, one of the private charter schools will be involved in a money scandal; that is, to where did the money disappear? It happens every time private entrepreneurs are seen as the light at the

UESTION: With the new year | end of the tunnel - the saviors of public education.

> ■ I predict the empowerment of various parent and citizens groups will continue to grow - that is, grow until something goes drastically wrong. Then the empowered groups will disappear and dump the issue back on the local boards of education and superintendents' desks. ■ Special education issues will be revi-

sited - such as pupil/teacher ratios because the cost is now overwhelming. Indeed, I've seen special education classes of LDs (learning disabled) of five and six children with a full-time teacher's aide, while the teacher next to the class (with 33 slow learners) is at his/her wits' end. The "C" students are getting stiffed with not having enough money available for massive vocational



and industrial, computer-ariven programs as are found in other countries ■ Insightful educational leaders will soon come to the realization that foreign language, started at the elementa-

ry level, should become an educational

tion will revise its unrealistic MEAP standards for school accreditation. According to some educational sources, only about 10 percent of our school districts in the state will receive accreditation under the present plan. The MEA leadership will have its

share of issues: ■ Teacher strikes, for a period, will become history with the \$5,000 penalty fee per day for each day out on strike now part of the law.

■ MESSA insurance, the insurance plan of the National Education Associ ation, could become history. It is excel lent insurance but teachers will not strike for it.

James "Doc" Doyle was formerly an administrator in Troy Public Schools and a teacher in the Plymouth-Canton ■ Certain "teachers" whose function in school district. He currently serves as an education consultant. He lives in life it is to confront administration will Northville Township. turn their anger toward the local MEA

School weapons law fires blank

BY BOB NEEDHAM STARY WRITER

Now that the tumult of the election has faded and the newly enlarged Engler family is home enjoying its first Christmas season together, maybe we can all take a deep breath and re-

think this guns-in-school nonsense. We have a new state law which mandates expulsion of any student caught bringing a weapon to school. The proposal sailed through both houses of the Legislature and straight into the Michigan Compiled Laws, stopping only briefly nobody wants guns in school, right?

Well, of course not, though I don't see what that has to do with this law.

There's certainly no deterrent here, since any kid determined to bring a gun to school is hardly likely to see a yearlong vacation as punishment. But if the kid brings in the gun, he gets expelled, and that at least removes one problem, making that school that much safer. Yes?

No. There's nothing to stop that same kid from coming back to school with a weapon. Name me one school in your neighborhood, or anywhere in the state, where it would be hard for a kid of the appropriate age to enter the school grounds or the building itself without being noticed. If that kid — expelled or not really wants to get a gun into that school, he'll do it. And it will be, if you'll excuse the expression, child's play.

The few times this issue was debated during the campaign, supporters uniformly accused opponents of being more concerned about the rights of the punks (to stay in school) than the rights of the rest of the kids (to learn in a weapons-free atmosphere). What they either didn't understand or chose to ignore was that opposition to this law has nothing whatsoever to do with the "rights" of the punks.

You break a law, you give up some rights; we all understand that. Being concerned about the punk's future has nothing to do with his right to n education; it's about considering what he's likely to do once he's no longer in school.

Think about it. The type of kid who carries a run around is probably a kid lacking parental supervision and a stable home. He's the type of kid who is likely to commit a crime. Kicking him out of school frees up a whole lot of time for that kid to spend vandalizing, robbing, experimenting with drugs, and worse. And all the while, he's getting better and better at his new tareer - the career which his expulsion gives

■ The type of kid who carries a gun around is probably a kid lacking parental supervision and a stable home. He's the type of kid who is likely to commit a crime. **Kicking him out of school frees** up a whole lot of time for that kid to spend vandalizing, robbing, experimenting with drugs, and

him little choice but to pursue. Of course, the new law doesn't prohibit local districts from setting up alternative programs to handle the problem students. But neither does it require such programs. And anyway, who would pay for these things? The local districts, which now have little or no control over their own finances? Or the state, which is already taxing us to the constitutional limit while budget pressures mount on all sides?

There's more. What about the kid who simply doesn't think? As long as a student found carrying a weapon realizes it's dangerous, he's out. Think about the kindergartner who finds Daddy's unloaded pistol in a drawer and brings it in for show and tell. Does she deserve expulsion? What about the Boy Scout who leaves his fishing knife in his book bag? Does he? Don't tell me that those are extreme cases in

has no room for common sense. Which brings us to the final major problem with it: It removes almost all local control in these matters. No longer can the school board decide whether a certain case warrants expulsion. The local district -- certainly a better judge of a

child's character and a given situation than is

which common sense would prevail. This law

the Legislature - is no longer a factor. I see this law as creating a situation where dangerous future criminals get put on the fast track in their careers, where innocent kids get thrown out of school for no good reason, and where the number of weapons in schools remains level at best. This cannot be what the governor - or anyone in Michigan - wants for young Hannah, Margaret and Madeleine. It ought to change.

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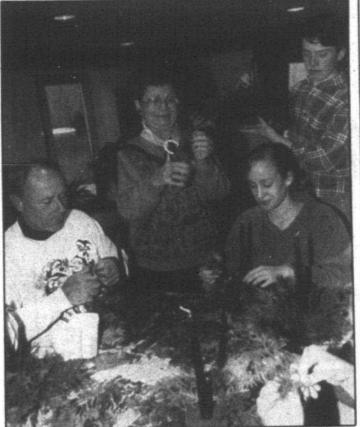
Holiday season of sharing, caring

At Greenmead: Pauline Schweiger (left) and Peggy Still decorate the yule tree after adding greenery throughout Greenmead Historical Village, Eight Mile at Newburgh, to prepare the village for public tours during the holiday period. The village was open on three Sundays in December with special musical attractions. The last Christmas tour was held yesterday (Dec. 28)



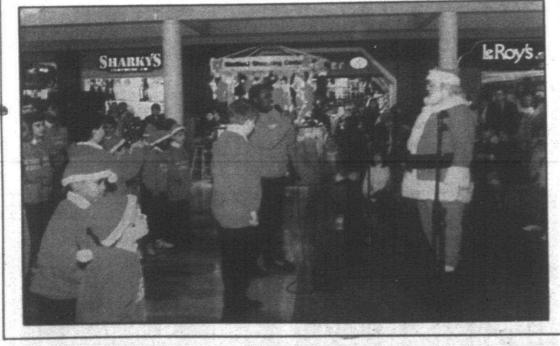


Helping hand: Mayor Robert Thomas was one of many municipal employees and officials who helped the Salvation Army's Christmas campaign by serving as a bell-ringer at Westland Center. Money raised will be used to provide holiday food and items for needy fam-



ART EMANUELE/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHES

Teens at work: John Apple (from left) of Farmington Hills, Nora Hardin of Westland, Tim O'Keefe of Canton and Lisa Turner of Livonia work on flower arrangements for the holiday for residents of the Angela Hospice Home Care Center in Livonia. The activity was part of a new teen volunteer program involving Angela Hospice Home Care of Livonia and Community Hospice Services of Westland.



Yule concert: The Burger Center Choir, made up of singers at the Garden City school for autistic students, enjoyed a visit from Santa Claus after singing traditional Christmas music recently at Westland Center. Other stops on their tour during the holiday season included Wonderland Center and the Northwest Airlines terminal at Metro Airport.



Display: Students in the Plymouth Canton schools got a preview of what's to come when J.R. Lorentz, a carver, visited the schools before the holiday break.

Plymouth's getting ready for ice show

The 13th Annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular will take place Jan. 11-16 in downtown Plymouth.

Hundreds of thousands of pounds of ice will be transformed into dazzling displays by culinary artists who specialize in this rare and magical art form. Some of America's finest professional and student ice artisans as well as competitors from all over the world will create one-of-a-kind displays throughout the town square area of this quaint Western Wayne County community.

One of the highlights of this year's event will again be the team competitions. At 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, Plymouth will host a two-person professional team competition. Each team will receive 10 blocks of ice and will carve for 20 continuous hours, judging will take place at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14.

The college and high school team competitions will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, in Kellogg Park. Each of these teams will receive three blocks of ice and will have five hours to carve their work of art.

Other competitions this year

include the college and high school individual student compe tition from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, and the nonprofessional individual competition from 9 a.m. to noon, and 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15. All carvers will compete for thousands of dollars in money and prizes.

Also showcased during this ear's event will be a spectacular light show that will turn the ice sculptures and dewntown Plymouth into a winter wonderland.

"Fantasyland," a themed ice display, will be highlighted in the Gathering. This week long display will incorporate theatrical light ing that will amaze, amuse and appeal to kids of all ages.

Cooking demonstrations will be held at Sideways on Forest Avenue and gingerbread houses, cake decorating contests and displays will be hosted by Westchester

A middle school art student ice sculpture contest will be held in conjunction with the festival, with the winning designs being carved by a professional carver. An award presentation will take place at 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 16.



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHE

Pride: Winners of the middle school ice carving design contest pose with their awards in front of the Kellogg Park fountain. They are (from left) Ashley Bowsman, Tim Bruce, Jeremy Borsos and Carrie Dzialo.

NEW VOICES

JAMES YOUNGQUIST of Pontiac and KIMBERLY YOUNGQUIST announce the birth of KITRINA LEE Oct. 13. She has a sister, Kirsten, 5, and a brother, Jarrett, 3. Her mother is a captain in the U.S. Air Force, stationed at Charleston Air Force Base, S.C. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roger Dean of Livonia. Great-grandmother is June Hicks

KEN and LORI BESSINGER of Canton announce the birth of LINDSEY NICOLE Nov. 10 at Garden City Osteopathic Hospital in Garden City. She has a brother, Kevin Richard, 5, and a sister, Andrea Marie, 24. Grandparents are Howard and Carole Yeakie of Canton and Frances and Darlys Bessinger of AuGres,

Mich. Great-grandparents are Rev. and Mrs. Nelson Kennedy of Sterling, Mich.

ROBB and POLLY LaCHAP-PELLE of St. Paul, Minn., announce the birth of CURTIS
JUDD Oct. 24. Grandparents are
Ed and Ruth Judd of Plymouth and Gene and Mary Lou LaChappelle of Marquette, Mich.

SHARON WILLIAMS of Livonia announces the arrival of ALEXANDRA TREASE JUDE Sept. 13. She was born June 23 in Guatemala. She has a sister Kait-lyn, 3%, also born in Guatemala. Grandparents are Leon (Bill) and Nancie Williams of Livonia.

KEVIN and JACKIE D'ARCY of Canton announce the

birth of KEVIN MICHAEL JR. Nov. 16, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Julian and Judy Phelps in Livonia and Dennis and Ann D'Arcy in Livonia. Great-grand-parents are Evelyn Renaud in Livonia, Callie Phelps in Westland and Mary Ports of Tennes-

STEVEN and MARIE BARNES of Plymouth anno the birth of ALEXANDER PHILIP Nov. 4 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

GARY and CHERYL ZUZO of Canton announce the birth of BRENTON ROSS ZUZO Sept. 20 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He has a sister, Brielle. Grandmother is Dolores Perelli of Dearborn Heights. Great-grandmother Elena Perelli of Dearborn.

NABIL and CHERI ANN RAHAL announce the birth of SARAH NOEL Nov. 22 at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills.

KEN and DIANE HARRI-SON of Plymouth announce the birth of RACHEL MARIE at Catherine McCauley Health Center in Ann Arbor. She has two brothers, Chris, 5, and Brett, 3. Grandparents are Ruth Smith of Saline and Mr. and Mrs. David Bays and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Harrison, all of Battle Creek.

DALE and CONNIE STRINGER of Westland an-

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nounce the birth of BRETT DANIEL CORNELIUS Nov. 16 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He has a brother, David, and a sister, Christen. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. Niemczyk of Garden City and Jane Stringer of Farmington.

DAVID and MICHELLE HOULE of Plymouth announce the birth of DAVID EUGENE JR. Oct. 10 at St. Joseph Mercy Hespital in Ann Arbor.

FRANK POWERS and MARY FRIES POWERS of Pinckney announce the birth of CHRISTOPHER THOMAS Nov. 12 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Tom and Rose Fries of Red-

VINCENT and JAHNA KOTCHER of Canton announce the birth of CHRISTOPHER JAMES Nov. 2 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

RON and CELINE TETRAULT of Garden City announce the birth of CAMERON LEE Nov. 16 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leo Tetrault Naples, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dryden of Livonia.

DONALD and DARLENE WILK of Redford announce the births of ALEXA KRISTINE and DANIEL JOSEPH Oct. 25 at Besumont Hospital in Royal Oak. Grandparents are Josep and Zenia Kosh of Beverly Hills. Fla., and Anne Wilk of Rast

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1994

On THE MARQUEE



KEELY WYGONIK

Sing out this year, let your voice be heard

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a happy holiday. Let's Go!

Let your voice be heard this year, join a community chorus. The Livonia Civic Chorus, which is celebrating its 30th season this year, will be holding auditions 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10 and 17 at Frost Middle School on Stark Road, north of the Jeffries Expressway.

They're especially in need of altos, tenors and basses. The chorus, sponsored by the Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation and directed by Jim Whitten, draws members from Livonia, and surrounding communities. For information, call (313) 421-0527

Schoolcraft Community Choir, also celebrating it's 30th season this year, is holding auditions for new members 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10 at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road (west of Inkster Road) in Livonia. Director Donald Stromberg invites experienced singers of all voice parts to audition. To schedule an appointment, or for more information, call choir president, Shari Clason (810) 349-8175 or Schoolcraft's Continuing Education Services department, (313) 462-4448.

Rehearsals for the ninth season of the Plymouth Oratorio Society begin 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 9 at St. John Nuemann Church, 44800 Warren Road, between Sheldon and Canton Center roads in Canton. The selected works to be performed on May 7, 1995 are "Gloria" by F. Poulec and "Requiem," by G. Faure. No auditions required, members must pay for their music scores or supply their own. For information, call (313) 761-2991.

See MARQUEE, 2B

Now showing



Nearly 1,200 Michigan restaurants have decided that smoking and dining are like oil and vinegar - they don't mix.



Find out what's on stage in your community.



John Monaghan looks at the best movies of 1994.



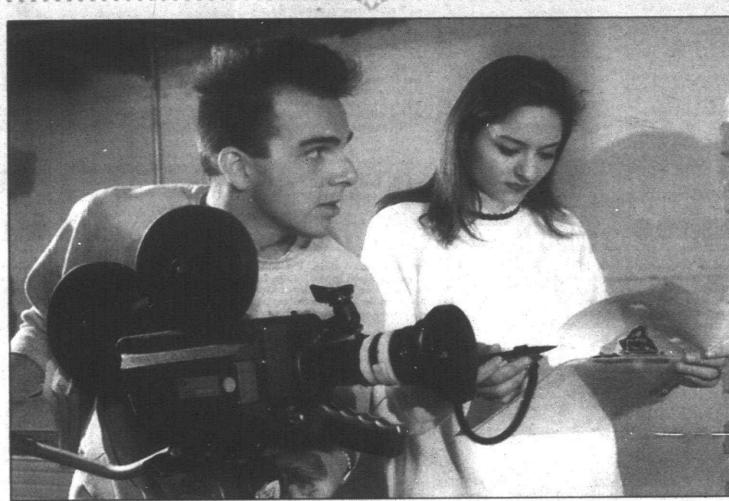
Weekend getaways help cure winter blues.



Big Block is this year's band of the year.

Looking ahead

- Win tichets to the your family to see Sesame Street Live.
- Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular comes to town Jan. 11-16.



WILLIAM HANSEN

Filming: Filmmaker Mike Pacitto and his wife Anne Marie Kanakis work a scene from "XTINCT."

BY KYLE GREEN SPECIAL WRITER

No artillery shells have been launched, but there's a revolution going on in the movie industry. Small budget movies with no named stars or solid plots are grossing as much as glossy no topic, bright stared productions in mass release.

Independent movie productions are nothing new in the industry except now there are more of them. "Clerks," a loose fitting comedy, which focused on life in a convenience-food store, has drawn almost \$1 million at the box office. It was filmed on a \$27,600 budget.

Like "Clerks" which draws its cast from Generation X - people born from 1965 to 1975, many independent productions tackle apathy and laziness.

"I hate when people say that 'Generation X' is not a label," said 24-year-old Mike Pacitto of Troy, who hopes to declare his own revolt with his independent film "XTINCT."

"Generation X like to act rebellious, but they didn't have to

fight or know what it is like to go through war," said Pacitto. "They don't know how to fight because there is no true role model to fight for. We're not all unmotivated, Nine Inch Nails listeners . .

Pacitto hopes to expose the plights of Generation X in his

Armed with a solid script he wrote, his main character Thunderbird, is a mid-20 something businessman who becomes tangled up with a crowd that tries to

exploit him. In the movie, characters reveal Generation X traits — lack of authority, and a bleak view of life. Pacitto hopes audiences will

identify with, and use the film as

a self-awaren eas tactic. "I wanted a beginning and an ending to the scenes, a conflict and a resolution," he said. "With the "Crow" it was as if the audience was a baby and the "Crow" just fed you with (open plot). It was so redundant and the script was predictable. That movie was

shot so many times in the 1970s." A 1992 University of Michigan graduate with a bachelor's degree in English and communications, Pacitto works at the Ford Motor Company plant in Utica. He works on his production every spare moment he has, planning and plotting movie details.

Even with his wife Anne Marie Kanakis, who grew up in Livonia producing, Pacitto said he has little time to do much of anything.

ocenes throughout metro Detroit every weekend since August. Locations have including alleys in Royal Oak, the basement of an East

See REVOLT, 2B

Personal stakes high in gamble to make movies

BY KYLE GREEN

Many aspiring independent filmmakers and silver screen stars hope sweat, hard work, lack of sleep, large financial loans and maxed out credit cards will pave their "Yellow Brick Road" to Hollywood.

Assuming both the assistant producer and a staring role in "The Incorporated," an action/adventure drama, has not only widened Livonia native Steve Gibbons' understanding of the movie industry, but inspired him to continue to per-

"It's interesting to see it from both sides of the camera. I hear the actor's end, then the next day I hear it all from behind the lens," said Gibbons, 23, a 1989 Stephens High School graduate.

Gibbons plays Sean Foxx in the production. Behind the scenes he is responsible for public relations and other production roles. After pro-duction is completed he intends to move to New His current responsibility is not charity work,

"I am going to walk away with something," he said. "If this movie does well I will walk away with a lot of money. If not I will simply walk away with the experience."

"The Incorporated" is former Troy resident John Reneaud's fourth film in the last four years, but this is his first lead position as Alan



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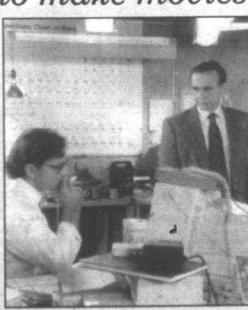
a cold to be .

Freeling, an over-focused inventor on the brink of a revolutionary energy source when his bene-factor pulls its financial support.

"I'm normally casted as the bad guy," said Reneaud, 33. "See, I work construction and I do roofing and my arms and shoulders are larger then a normal lead character's. I guess everyone thinks a small guy can only play leads. The people who have used me (in this production) have gone out of their way to use me.

Reneaud is grateful to have his role which he hopes will spark further feature roles, but he as balancing acting and construction over the next 10 years.

See MOVIES, 2B



In the act: John Reneaud (left) is Alan Freeling and Jeff Boerger (Robert) in "The Incorporated," an action/adventure drama.

Point bar and Picatto's backyard With a cast and crew of up to 50 people, a majority of which are in their mid 20s, Picatto's inspiration only takes life once the

cast is put into motion. The stereotypical traits of Genration X are easy to visualize but at times difficult to exploit. according to Mike Passion, 24. As Bobby he is the film's main protagonist. He has the aspiring amoction to do nothing.

Passion views his character as true generational reflection. The one thing I like about

this guy is that he has no moral

structure, and he can do as he pleases," said Passion, who has no acting nor theatrical training He just walks through life with no care of attitude. This shows no respect for no rules of life . here are boundries that you need have in life, but so many young cinks I see walking around today

Movie production is much harder than many might perceive. according to 26-year-old Ron Wick who maintains that voluncering his time is just the dues ie has to pay.

Marquee

Add Plymouth Community

Chorus to your list of outstanding

community theater and music

groups. I accidentally left them

out of my Dec. 22 column, which

discussed the abundance of local

standing ovations at their Dec 1

2. 3 and 4 concerts. They are now

busy rehearsing for their spring

concert to be presented April 29

talent in our communities.

ave no respect for such things.

looks," Wick said, A.K.A. Thunderbird, the successful young businessman. "A lot of it is sitting around, then before shooting it's rehearsing your lines. Once you shoot, you may have to do it more than once. It is not as easy

as people think it is." Wick, a 1992 Oakland University graduate, has modeling and stage experience. He was an extra n the movie "The Renaissance Man." But his scene, which was On a big production if something shot at Tiger Stadium, was cut from the film.

Long hours and hard work are the only way to get experience, said to Adam Leichtam of West "Learning stuff in the field is a

lot different then learning is in a classroom or from a book apposed to doing it for yourself with the long hours," said Leichtman, 22. a recent Wayne State University graduate with a bachelor's degree in film and performing art who hopes to find a notch in movie production.

Two years ago he acquired a production assistant position on the Washington D.C. crew of the comedy film "Dave." but this time around he hopes his up to 200 hours of volunteer work on duction items and using inex-

Washington, D.C. in June.

Stay tuned to Let's Go! for

more information about the

Plymouth Community Chorus,

and other local theater and music

Greenfield Village. There's still

time to see the dazzling Christ-

mas tree at Henry Ford Museum.

During the winter season, Jan. 2

and 30. The chorus has been in- to March 14, a single ticket is and Village Road in Dearborn,

"XTINCT" will make him more marketable.

The two productions are quite similar, but with some minor alterations, he said.

"It is a big money and time restriction with the big productions, but with the lower produc tion we are having fun and it's a bit more easy going," he said. "It is as stressful because you want to produce a quality production. goes wrong, everyone is in trouble, but if something goes wrong we just all laugh."

Laughing is shared, but held to a minimum. Little time is wasted. Pacitto tries to uphold the old idea that time is money. Because, after all, money is the key to his and all independent movie pro-

With maxed out credit cards and a near empty bank account, Pacitto estimates his production, which he hopes to release this spring, will cost up to \$25,000. To anyone who makes movies

as a living, what we are spending is what they would spend to feed a hairdresser for a day," he said. By recruiting volunteers, asking for food donations and pro-

museum and Village. The build-

ings are closed in the Village, but

visitors can still enjoy pictur-

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rides or sleigh rides (weather per-

The Village's newest restau-

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Village is at Oakwood Boulevard

Setting the scene: Director Mike Pacitto (back to camera) gives some final tips to actors (left to right) Ron Wicks, Mike Passion and James Smith

sure bet that I will get my money said.

Movies from page 1B

if it is a cult release or not. It is a some how I will get repaid," he

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and 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Hall (M-59) at

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mation, call (313) 271-1976.

corporated" writer and producer Kenneth Guertin and co-producer David Baker hope to be working in Hollywood. For now they are just pleased they were able to find

a financial backer, Baker said.

pensive film, Pacitto is able to will make it some way regardless back if not with currency, but

"We went from the lowest level of filmmaking you can go (but now) we are blowing up mobile homes, we have helicopter shots, Mail keely@oeonline.com or we have car crashes. This stuff is duction will cost over \$37,000. He ate in Cadillac where he won an is predicted to end shooting in Emmy Award for his work as a early spring, but he is confident

> The production has caught the "Not only am I spending my attention of Detroiter Robin own money, but I believe this will Browne who is acting as director make money so this is an investof photography and has the "Sec- ment in my future," he said.

lighting up the winter sky.

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■ The Detroit Zoo's "Wild

caught the attention of Detroiter Robin

■ The production has

tret Garden," "Ghandi" and "Go rillas in the Mist" to his credit.

cool," Baker, 27, said, who is cur- has invested \$15,000 of his own rently on leave from a FOX affili- money into the production which about the film's future.

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day, jan. 7 at the Jewish Community Cen-ter in West Bloomfield and runs week-

IOSEDALE PLAYERS Note: Coward's "T'll Leave It To You." 8 p. gr. Fridays and Saturdays, Jan. 6 to Jan. 21-jat Upstage, 21728 Grand River, 15 bitisis east of Lahser. Tickets \$8 with discounts for seniors, students and groups. (3)(3) 532-4010

APPIC THEATRE "Respecting Carol," a holiday comedy about a small Midwest theater company triging to get through its annual production of "A Christmas Carol," continue

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pared to sing and dance, bring sheet mu-sic or tape. Call Lisa Andres. (313) 427-1775

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will be asked to stay, read lines, and per form a short song. A second audition will be held 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 9 in room

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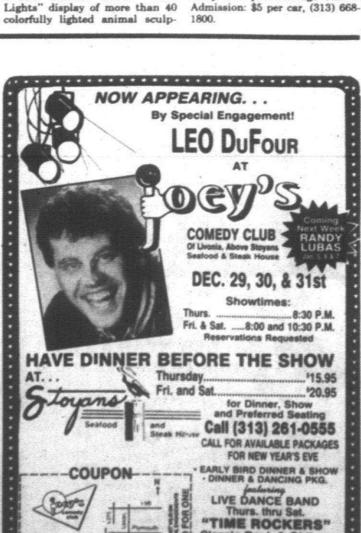
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Smoke-free restaurant guide is larger this year

Nearly 1,200 Michigan restaurants have decided that smoking and dining are like oil and vinegar - they don't mix.

From Calumet's Copper Kettle Family Restaurant to Southfield's Downstairs Deli, many eateries that ban cigarettes are listed in a new edition of the "Guide to Smoke-Free Restaurants," published by Tobacco-Free Michigan Action Coalition an umbrella group of anti-smoking, organizations. The guide was organized and subsidized by the Michigan Department of Public

Copies of the guide are available by calling (800) 537-5666. Coalition and state health department officials said they made their best effort to compile a complete list in this second edition.

ation said the list is not complete There are no Livonia restaurants listed, and in restaurantrich Royal Oak, the 13 listings are

McDonald's) and light on the more substantive places. Actually, that's the case in

most towns, according to the guide. The Golden Arches, Burger King, Arby's, Wendy's and Subway are well-represented in the

Larry Fischer, a co-chair of the tobacco-free coalition, said he was somewhat disappointed that more fine-dining establishments are not on the list. "The fast food places are im-

portant because they set stand ards and there are so many of them and so many people frequent them," said Fischer, who is director of Michigan State University's Institute of Environmen-

He said that he got involved in the organization because he recognizes the risks posed by cigarette smoke. He said those dan-The Michigan Restaurant Associgers are especially borne by res-

taurant workers. The federal Department Health and Human Services said 'Fresh air' restaurants

(810) 553-7007; Silverman's

hard Lake (810) 626-2118

Cafe, 30894 Orchard Lake (810)

626-6029; Taco Bell, 29925 Orc-

■ Plymouth — Arby's, 575 Ann

Arbor (313) 459-6765; Sweet Af-

ton Tea Room, 985 N. Mill

(313) 454-0777; Wendy's, 655

Ann Arbor Road (313) 455-1616.

Redford - Arby's, 14555

Telegraph Road, (313) 538-

"I think most people appreciate

"The love it because they don't go

"Let's face it, if you're in most

Here's an alphabetical list by city of local smoke-free restaurants:

Canton - Chuck E. Cheese, 42001 Ford (313) 981-0333; Subway, 40341 Michigan (313) 728-8361; Subway, 43687 Ford (313) 981-7300; Wendy's, 41465 Ford (313) 981-0183

■ Farmington Hills — Marvin's Marvelous Museum 31005 Orchard Lake (810) 626-5020; McDonald's 24020 Orchard Lake (810) 477-2011; Silver- Westland - Arby's, 8068 N man's, 27701 Orchard Lake Wayne Road, (313) 421-5230.

secondhand smoke kills wanted the policy when they the 3,000 nonsmokers from lung can- Old Woodward nearly four years cer each year and causes respira- ago, said general manager Sal tory discomfort in many other Aluzzo. nonsmokers. The Old Woodward Grill in it, especially a lot of younger pro-

Birmingham is unusual among fessional women." said Aluzzo. the restaurants in the guide because it is both a full-service res- home smelling like smoke." taurant and a bar. The owners

music of the Ken Wolsinski band, free

you clothes, your hair is going to implement smoke-free policies in

his cafe has banned smoking for cause problems for his clientele, 30 who work in a nearby industri-

"I think more and more of those Cregar, who decided to continue the policy started by previous

"We changed a lot of things, but that's not one of the things we're going to change," Cregar

al office area.

At the Sweet Afton Tea Room in Plymouth, there is a similar

"We're a small facility and we losing customers." just feel that people can go with-

recent months, including Michael Cregar, owner of Cafe McDonald's, Taco Bell and Express in Rochester Hills, said Arby's, the coalition said.

Rob Gifford, executive directo several years and that it doesn't of the 3,000-member Michigan Restaurant Association, said his mostly white-collar workers over organization has complained to the state health department director because the directory is inpeople are not smoking," said public money to promote certain

> He said fast-food restaurants are more able to go smoke free because customers are in and out "The longer you are in a place,

the more likely you are to want to have a cigarette," Gifford said. "Some restaurants think they can policy. Phyllis Ikegami, an owner, establish a niche for themselves said the ban makes sense for a by banning smoking. A lot of ressmall restaurant - there are 32 taurants don't want to do it because they think they would be

Restaurants who want to out smoking for a while," Ikegami listed in the next guide can call



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The restaurant at 30175 W. 10 Mile, Farmington Hills, is celebrating New Year's Eve with a limited menu, seatings at 4:30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Party begins 9:30 p.m. with disc jockey, dancing in garden room, 6-course dinner, champagne, party favors, cost \$65 per person, reserved seating, depos-

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makers, party hats and midnight toast

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The restaurant is at 6676 Telegraph, at Maple in Birmingham. Hours on New Year's Eve will be 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. Call for reservations. (810) 626-4200 MOREL'S - A MICHIGAN BISTRO

followed by festivities. Elizabeth & Taylor will supply music, and Moreis' the party

party favors, midnight toast. Cost \$44 per person.(810) 649-6625 After dinner, at the restaurant inside the Hotel Baronette, Novi, music for dancing

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IAMOND JIM BRADY'S BISTRO

The restaurant at 26053 Town Center Drive, Novi, is offering gift certificates.

New Year's Eve party for children ages 5-10, \$30 per child. New Year's Day buffet, live entertainment, assortment of fruits cheese, caviar, seafood, pastries, en rees, \$30 per person, children ages 6

313) 441-2100. hree dinner seatings on Saturday, Dec

31, beginning at 5 p.m. The third at 9:30 or 10 p.m. is \$75 per person and includes a four-course dinner, ordered off the menu, plus dancing to the Mutual Admira-tion Society, and party favors. The restau-rant is at 565 E. Larned, Detroit.

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Jazz Duo, Marvin Kahn on alto clarinet and Keith Vreeland, piano, Thursday nights at Le Metro, 29855 Northwestern, Southfield.

Brunch

COUNTRY EPICURE Wilbert Peagler, piano and Bob Barnes Sax, 6:30-10:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. Wilbert Peagler jazz Quartet featuring vocalist Renee Jackson, Fridays and Saturdays. The restaurant is a 42050 Grand River, Novi.

College restaurants

Ridgewood Cafe in J-305 of Tirrell Hall Oaldand Community College, 27055 Orc hard Lake Road, Famington Hills. Stu-dent-run restaurant is open for lunch 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday. SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE New Gourmet International Buffet offered by the college's restaurant, American Harvest, 6-8 p.m. Thursdays, beginning Jan. 19. The cost is \$15 per person. Call

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Festive events welcome new year

"What are you doing New party favors and a champagne Year's Eve?" - if you haven't made plans yet, here are some

Ring in 1995 with a festive and romantic New Year's Eve tradition called "Night in Old Vienna" 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. This concert features the Detroit Sympho-Orchestra led by Leslie B. Vienna, along with internationally famous soprano, Kaaren Erick-

During the concert, professional ballroom dancers, Glenn Clarke 352-3729 or (810) 352-2797 or and Cyndy Geralds, and Steven and Susan McFerran will whirl across stage to the beautiful waltzes of Vienna. After the performance, concertgoers are invited to dance on stage to the sounds of stockings, and hairspray and prethe Mack Pitt Orchestra. The New Year will be kicked off with Year's Eve and celebrate the

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Nancy Gurwin will present her new musical review, "They Stopped the Show," at a very special evening to welcome in the new year, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31 Dunner, performing the music of at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. Tickets are \$40 per person or \$75 per couple and include dinner, show, dancing and party favors. Call (810) Ticketmaster, (810) 645-6666 for

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American movies highlight this year's best

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Can you make a movie like the

Nazi propaganda masterpiece "Triumph of the Will" and still

(Pret-a-Porter)." "Bulleta Over

Vampire," "Hardboiled" and "A

playwright (John Cusack) offered

the chance to direct his own play.

mobster's girlfriend in a key role.

"Heavenly Creatures" (New

Zealand - 1994). The tale, based

on a true story about two imagi-

native girls who find themselves

involved in something they can't

from Peter Jackson, the director

4135 W. Maple, Bloomfield. All

titles play through at least next

of "Dead Alive."

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control. An acclaimed new movie

The only hitch: he has to cast a

ners up: "Ready to Wear

remain an apolitical artist?

Comedians share resolutions

Everybody makes them. Everybody breaks them. It's just a fact of life during this time of year. I'm talking, of course, about New Year's resolutions.

Even for comedians, New Year's resolutions are no laughing matter. It takes mass quantities of "resolve" to stand in front of group of people armed with only a microphone and sharp wit, and attempt to entertain.

A number of performers I spoke with had resolutions related to life in the stand-up profession. Joel Zimmer of Plymouth, who recently completed a three-month national tour doing comedy on college campuses, resolved to spend less time in vans." During the tour, Zimmer extimated that he logged over 28,000 miles and spent the equivalent of 22 days inside a van.

Jim McLean of Westland resolved "to keep my phone bill un-

something the

Chenille Sisters

do just on Chan

nel 4 Nor does

the hokey trio

poke around

with just advertisements.

These funky

subject of a PBS special

"Makin Rhythm" coming up in

March, a children's radio program

scheduled for February on

WDET, a pilot children's public

television series, and a regular on

Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie

In their "pick" of the pans,

People Magazine" compared the

Chenille Sisters to the Andrews

Sisters in a review of one of the

group's Red House CDs "Mama, I

Wanna Make Rhythm" with a

sound "sublime enough to de-

mand a more upscale fabric than

But, if their name seems to

make them a cheap imitation of

the famous sister's group, the

comparison ends with that Chen

ille's just released CD "True to

Life," a collection of mostly origi-

nal material commenting on

American life and culture sung in

Home Companion.

Chenille.

Comedy clubs offer laughs for new year Ring in 1995 by checking out the following headliners at comdy Club, 5070 Schaefer, Dearthe following headliners at comborn in Paisano's Restaurant, edy clubs around the area.

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bookings across the country and

speaking with talent coordinators

can run those bills up quickly.

However, the work McLean put in

during 1994 may pay off in 1995.

Angeles that included some script

reading for CBS, Warner Bros.

case for HBO scouts at the Ice

beautiful close three part harmo-

Undoubtable it will be the

source for many of their songs

used in their "adult" shows at 4

p.m. 5 p.m. 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sat-

urday, Dec. 31 at Seaholm High

School during Birmingham's

"I don't mean to make

adult shows sound X-rated. It is

merely our way of differentiating

them from our children's shows,

said Grace Morand, the hat wear-

ing spokeswoman for the usually

First Night Celebration.

Trio harmonizes with audiences

accessible locations throughout formances.

and Disney, and a stand-up show-

West, 16890 Telegraph, Detroit, Comedy Club, 595 N. Lapeer Road, Oxford, (810) 628-6500. M Kenny Rogerson - Mark ■ Leo DuFour- Joey's Come-Ridley's Comedy Castle, 269 E. dy Club, 36071 Plymouth Road, Fourth, Royal Oak, (810) 540-Livonia, in Stoyan's Restau-

> next level. She resolved "to move somewhere like New York or Los Angles because it's awfully tough to get discovered here." Sometimes, a good rule thumb with New Year's resolu-

M Kirk Noland- Miss Kitty's

(313) 584-8885.

He recently made a trip to Los tions is to keep them simple. Tim Lilly of Ferndale wants "to make more money than I did in 1994." Mark Ridley, owner of The Come dy Castle in Royal Oak, resolved Lisa Goich of Warren is also to "shed enough ugly body fat to looking to take her career to the get down to my original fighting

Make 'First Night' of 1995 memorable

Welcome 1995 at First Night, a Shari Kane; Ursula Walker and and art lovers decided to bring in

on alcoholic festival of the arts Buddy Budson, bluegrass artist the New Year "intoxicated with

for all ages in Birmingham. The Neil Woodward; Merlin the Magi- the pleasure of the arts." Since its

celebration, which features over cian; two puppet troupes; and inception, the First Night arts

entral Birmingham 2 p.m. to A "Hoedown Countdown to M La Casa Music Series will pres-

midnight, Saturday, Dec. 31. Ad- Midnight" will take place in ent a New Year's Eve Double Feanission is a \$7 button (admission Shain Park to "rope" in the New ture with Lynn Miles and Fred J.

for children ages 3-5 is \$1; chil- Year, showcasing the foot-warm- Eaglesmith and the Flying Squir-

dren 2 and under are admitted ing, knee-slapping, toe-tapping rels, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31 at

free). For information, call (810) country music of Southern Expo- the Birmingham Unitarian

Headliners include: the Chen- Now in its fifth year, First Lone Pine). Tickets \$15 in ad-

ille Sisters, Southern Exposure, Night originally began in Boston vance, \$18 at the door. Call (810)

mismatched untasteful thrift

Reader" suggested the women

may be "Michigan's best contri-

bution to music since Motown

The Chenilles are not moving.

The blond and two brunettes

have no intentions of leaving

Michigan although their 100 year

ly engagements now are primarily

"We love Ann Arbor," said for-

mer hair dresser Morand, who is

blew out for the West Coast."

shop toting tunesters.

outside of the state.

Another publication

Mr. "B," Peter Madcat Ruth and in 1976 when a group of artists 646-4950.

20 performers, takes place in easi- children's interactive theater pre- festival concept has expanded to

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■ Kirkland Teeple — Mainstreet Comedy Showcase, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor, (313) 996-

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■ Christopher Titus — Chaplin's East, 34244 Groesbeck Fraser, (810) 792-1902.

weight of eight pounds, eight

Detroit's Darwin Hines had some initial difficulty with the resolution concept saying he was pretty much perfect already. After though, he resolved "to be sweeter than I was in 1994 - I'll brush my teeth more." Kevin Kramis of Garden City.

Church, 651 N. Woodward (at

married to Tom Hogarth, a book

binder at the University of Michi

assistant who designed the

group's latest CD cover and usu-

ally sings the upper harmony, and

Connie Huber, a music major and

speech pathologist, who usually

Starting out 10 years ago in Old

Town Tavern on Liberty Street in

downtown Ann Arbor without

enough material to sing a set,

within a year they were on nation-

sings the lower harmony.

gan. Morand's colleagues are

Cheryl Dawdy, is a former library

The most creative resolutions who did a stint with McLean as George of Redford. This guy must mean I am. Ameritech's "Phoneheads" pro-

on the ground on my Harley!"

maybe I can graduate to rubber."



have spent some time coming up moting the new 810 area code earwith these items: "To try not to lier this year, resolved to "try not stare at people who are blatant to dance too much in Styrofoan cross dressers. To go back to school to finish my correspond Citing his shortness of stature, ence course in laser eye surgery Kramis said he hoped 1995 could To limit my use of profanity see him achieve two of his biggest that way, I should have one hellu dreams - "playing Joey Lawrence's stunt double on 'Blossom' And finally, the number one and being able to touch my feet

resolution, by George: "I resolve not to return calls from Kelly Leaward (if there could be such a Brock or Cindy Crawford. Just be thing) would probably go to Gary cause they're available doesn't



Featured performers: The Chenille Sisters, Grace Morand (left to right), Connie Huber and Cheryl Dawdy will help bring in the New Year on a musical note at First Night in Birmingham.

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al radio with Keillor. Five years later, the trio quit their day jobs. "We are all goal setters," said Morand. "I guess we just went

hang up our chiffon scarves.

By that time, their scarves will

Mary Jane Doerr of Troy is a fulltime teacher and freelance ahead and did what we wanted to. When it is no longer fun, we will writer who specializes in opera

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or stomach.

GO! MOVIES

for my tepid re-

rest Gump." Not

surprisingly, it

list of the year's

until last week. I

was having trou-

best films.

ble coming up with the requisite

10 until a bold new Christmas re-

lease came in just under the wire.

Note that "The Snapper," which

Theatre in January, was on my

"Heavenly Creatures." New

his spiffy horror comedy "Dead

Alive" with this psychological

study of two girls in the 1950s

who form an "unnatural" attach-

ment to each other. By far the

year's prettiest-looking film, with

metro Detroit as reviewed by

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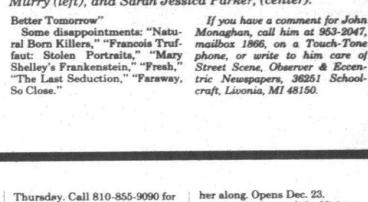


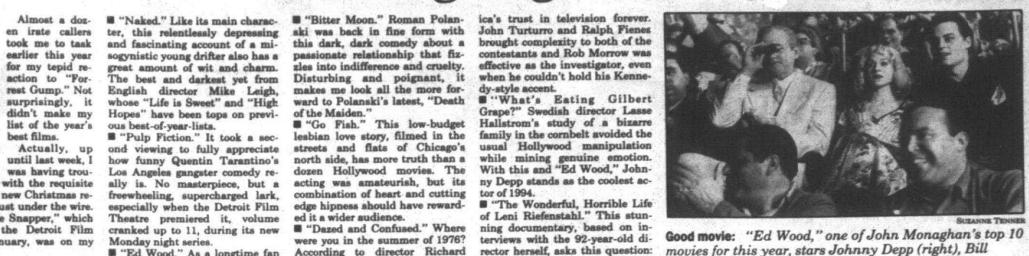
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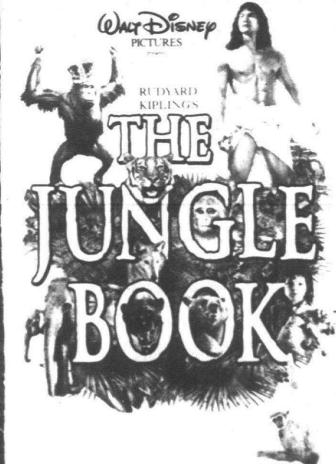
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Readers prove music matters

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO

The support of local music is strong and Ob server & Eccentric readers proved it. They filled our mailbox and hotline with nominees for this year's Band of the Year. Here's a sampling of what they had to say:

John Swain of Livonia on last year's winner The Verve Pipe: "Me and my buddies, we've been to about 20 (of their) shows over the year. They get better and better every time we see them and they're pretty accessible before and after shows." I isa Haiduk of Westland on rock band Station Nein: "They do write a lot of their own songs. I

Kim Wilson of Rochester on industrial mavens HAL: They're one of the best local bands in Detroit. They put on a great show when you go and see them live.

just think they're really, really good.

Norma Smith of Livonia on Robb Roy: "(Their music) is very personable and hand-written. Westland resident Barbara Pohl on the modern country band Waco Band: "It plays great country music and also plays other alternative music Beverly Hills resident Bonnie Davis, a self-pr claimed "middle-aged housewife sort of a person voted for Discipline: "I was impressed by the tal ent of the young people writing their own music and the artistic way that they present their mu

■ Vicky Kilius of Redford on the East Lansing band rock and reggae band Global Village: They're really fun to watch. There's always things going on. The horn section is really cool They're always dancing around."

Bonnie Sparks of Westland on rockers Blue Eved Soul: "I think they're great. They've done a lot of things. They've come a long way ... I've (only) missed five shows."

■ Eleven-year-old Heather White of Southfield on her brother rock musician Teddy Richards: "I like his kind of music because he's my brother, but that's not really the reason. I like the beat and the rhythm and the lyrics." ■ Thelma Goldstein of West Bloomfield on the

rock band Beer Whores: "They're good. They've played a lot of big clubs. They're a good bunch of kids and they deserve a break.

Other nominees included: Higher, The Exceptions, Steve King and the Dittlies, Upper Level, Hoolapoppers, The Yesmen, Walk on Water, Full House, Emperor's New Clothes, The Sillies, Outrageous Cherry, Rootbox, Immigrant Suns, Punch 'n' Kitty, Tearjerks and the Vudu Hippies.



Fan favorite: Ann Arbor-based gothic rock band Wig got a lot of family support on the Band of the Year hotline. Grandmother Carol Walitalo of Livonia and sister Katie Jimmerson of Canton

A look at 1994

Breakups - The Hannibals, BOP (harvey), The Opaque, Asian Love Pimp, Red C, Urban Voodoo Juice, Tickweasel, Wouldshed, Plastic Forest, Jigsaw Jungle, Sweaterfish and Rhythm

New hands - Nineteen Wheels and Tearjerks (both featuring ex-Hannibals), Rootbox (with ex-Urban Voodoo Juice), Daddy Longlegs (with ex-BOP harvey) and Immortal Whines of Soul (from The Generals and Culture Bandits).

Releases — Sponge, Big Chief and Wig all re-leased their major label debuts. The avant-garde jazz band, Blue Dog, released its debut for John Zorn's Knitting Factory label. Higher's second pressing of its eponymous debut EP featured producer Jack Ponti (Skid Row).

Other bands releasing product: Rocket 455, The Lovemasters, Godzuki, Cathouse, Volebeats, Crossed Wire, Skeleton Crew, Priscilla Ederle, ICP, Tickweasel, The Exceptions, General Clust erfunk, The Have Nots, Some People's Children, Immigrant Suns, Big Block, Oriental Spas, Yard Boss, Wally Pleasant, Bent Lucy, Downer's Grove, Jason McCauley Berry and the All Night Fish Market, Majesty Crush, She's So Huge, Princess Dragon Mom, Mental Landscape, Four Hands, Sister Seed, The Goldentones, The Deterants, Kid Rock, Mary McGuire, Pets or Meat, Outrageous Cherry, Slot, Mule, Michael on Fire, Lollipop Guild, Scott Fab, Heaven's Wish, General Clusterfunk, Detroit Musicians Alliance, Thunderharp Cheir, Rollinghead, James Wailin' and "Christmes in Detroit Too."

New in '95 - Releases by Fiction, Speedball (on Nw York's Energy Records), Charm Farm, Qutrageous Cherry, 3rd Nature, Daddy Stitch, Jes Gru, Skinhorse, The Pretty Green, Spank, Root-boz, Goober & The Peas, Kenny Larkin, Universal Stomp, Scott Stern, Nineteen Wheels, ICP, Laughing Hyenas, Head Injury, Alex Lumelsky, Robb Roy, Forehead Stew, Big Block, Tearjerks, Forge and the "Rist '67" Detroit compilation disc.

— Compiled by Christina Fuoco

Band of the Year



Big sound: Big Block will perform with with Goober & The Peas, Tearjerks and The Verve Pipe on New Year's Eve at St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit

Big Block supercharges music



Super-charged rock, laced with harmonies and realistic lyrics, has made Big Block the poet laureates of Detroit's rock scene and the choice for The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' 1994 Band of the Year.

By CHRISTINA FUOCO

Big Block guitarist/lyricist Kenny Tudrick is a most unlikely rock star. The shy Tudrick and his profound sense of innocence shuffle into a coffeehouse, ski hat pulled tight around his mop-top hair. When asked about his lyrics, he just smiles and shifts around in his seat

Everything he and vocalist/gui tarist Nick Lucassian are able to talk about, Tudrick said, they say through Big Block. Their musical form of therapy has

allowed them to vent their frustrations about living without phones and other luxuries but with rats, getting little respect and broken restionships. They're the poet laureates of Detroit's rock scene. The band is one of the future

voices of the Detroit rock scene and as a result is The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' 1994 Band of the

Big Block's supercharged rock drags along lyrics like "I'm the least

wanted reaction on a carnival attraction. Feel like a town that no one wants to be . . . I'm sad and disillusioned jumped down all the wrong conclusions. Feel like a town where no one wants to be."

In "Under Construction," Tudrick has written eerily prophetic lyrics: "I got my tape in my pocket, goin' to number 1, should be shootin' like a rocket." The kings of the three-minute pop rock songs, they don't waste any time on their debut CD "Guardrail" (Rustbelt). The 11song CD is 35 minutes long and a record company talent scout's

There's a lot more to Big Block than Tudrick and Lucassian's lyr ics. Lucassian has proved with Big Block and through his acoustic shows with Crossed Wire's Chris Moore that he has one of the most versatile voices in Detroit. He flitters between his "smoked too many cigarettes" emotionally raw vocals and its flawless step-brother

"Guardrail" explodes from the opening song "Release" and contin ues the energy through "Beautiful." The cascading and swirling guitar solos show no mercy. There's no ignoring Big Block. Listeners to 89X apparently feel the same. DJ Vince Cannova played a song from "Guardrail" as the "Catch of the Day" and the response was feverish

Not bad, considering Tudrick didn't even think the station would play it. "We dropped it off and they put it on three hours later," Tudrick said. "We didn't even get to hand it right to Vince. We gave it to a secretary and said, 'You're sure you're going

to give it to him?" "Feverish" can be used to describe Big Block's live shows as well. Lucassian (a future Sassy magazine pin-up if I've ever seen one) commands his guitar like his audience - it's never out of the control and always in his grasp.

Kim Garrett of Westland first saw Big Block a few years ago as part of an acoustic showcase at St. Andrew's Hall and immediately bought their single "Beautiful/Grounded." "I just thought they were awe-

some. I bought it and kind of forgot that I didn't have a record player,' said Garrett, who plans on spending New Year's Eve at their St. Andrew's Hall gig. "I try to see them as

"I can't really explain why I like

them. They have catchy lyrics like the Gin Blossoms, but rock like the Big Block has always been one of

Detroit's best-kept secret. Forming only a few years ago, the band which also includes bassist Joe Proper and drummer Scott Mac-Donald - quickly made a name for itself with its high-speed yet melodic, two-guitar assault.

Struggling to make ends meet, the foursome lived together in a rat-infested home which later proved to be inspirational. To give fans a sampling of their talents, the band included new songs and some from that time on "Guardrail." (Another new song, "New Day," appears on the "Riot '67" compilation which benefits Angela Hospice in Livonia.

"Those are good songs. Those are really big part of what we are," Tudrick said. "It represents where we were and where we are."

Big Block plays St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, with Goober & The Peas, Tearierks and The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' 1993 Band of the Year. The Verve Pipe, on New Year's Eve. Tickets are \$17.50. For more information, call (313) 961-MELT or (810) 645-6666.

Verve Pipe: Unsigned but hopeful in '95

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO

Billboard magazine this week picked up on what The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers readers knew last year: East Lansing's The Verve Pipe is one of the top unsigned acts in the nation.

Pictured on the cover of the international music industry magazine, The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' 1993 Band of the Year is lauded for its often dark melodies buffeted by Brian Vander Ark's lush, thick vocals. Add stylized guitar flourishes amid layered harmonies, and you get a song

board offers added credibility.

"It's different attention as far as what you're doing in your home state and how many albums you've sold," said Vander Ark, who was nominated for Best Guitarist at the 1994 Detroit Music of following you have (in your home state). To Detroit.

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■ Increasing awareness of The Verve Pipe outside of Michigan has become the band's main

record labels, it just looks like you have a bunch of friends. We'd like to get some national buzz going,' The "buzz" is definitely on. The Verve Pipe has sold more than 21,000 copies of their two releases such as 'Honest.'"

With major labels lurking, Verve Pipe drummer

Donnie Brown hopes the feature will get a record
deal rolling. Singer/guitarist Brian Vander Ark
added that although they receive a fair amount of attention in their home state, the nod from Bill- to radio station WHYT's playlist shortly before it changed its format. "Senator Speak" became a toprequested hit and subsequently listeners chose The Verve Pipe as a participant in its "Dream Lolla-

Brown was just as shocked as WHYT listeners to Awards. "It doesn't make any difference what kind hear that The Verve Pipe has so much support in



"I think it's because of the music and not be cause we gave it a big push or anything. They heard it and they thought it was very viable," Brown said. "It was beautiful for us, knowing that your stuff is worth it. It's very gratifying." Aside from playing clubs, The Verve Pipe played

the H.O.R.D.E. Tour at Val Du Lakes near Lake Michigan alongside acts like Sheryl Crow, Blues Traveler, Big Head Todd and the Monsters, and the Allman Brothers in mid-July. Increasing awareness of The Verve Pipe outside of Michigan has become the band's main focus.

The group performed during the South By Southwest Music Conference in Austin, Texas, last March. They got a boost from the "Aware II" disc which features two Verve Pipe songs, "Spoonful of Sugar" and "What You Wanted." So far, touring has been good.

"It's been extremely favorable in St. Louis and really good in Chicago. I think it's because our songs are accessible. It's not hard to figure out the

In between a few gigs in Milwaukee after Thanksgiving, the band found time to record at "Joe's Studio" run by ex-Violent Femme Victor DeLorenzo. Demos from those sessions, produced by Carnival Strippers' Mike Hoffman, show a more laidback, stripped down (so to speak) sound. On songs like "Drive You Mild" and "Photograph," Vander Ark's grab-you-by-the-throst vocals as well as The Verve Pipe's trademark gaping-mouthed harmonies are more subdued.

Singing the new songs to a receptive audience are the moments that Vander Ark has enjoyed the

"In light of being on the cover of Billboard and everything, the bigger high — it sounds hoaky — is that people dig and listen to the new stuff."

The Verve Pipe will perform Saturday, Jan. 7, at the Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, with the DT's. Doors open at 9:30 p.m. For more information, call (313) 996-8555.



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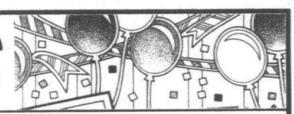
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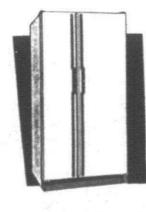
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"Our philosophy is 'Learn By Doing,' " said Sherri Alexander, said Sherri Alexander, Education Director. And everything in the museum involves 'doing

The museum's two floors crammed (nicely!) with sit down, stand up and climb through "hands-on" exhibits require little tykes to make some cfucial choices about their venture.

Six-year-old Jessica knows exactly where to begin. She makes a beeline for the do-it-yourself Face Painting Station. Finding an empty seat she focuses on her image in the mirror and skillfully applies shades of plum purple

The young boy in the next seat applies the finishing touches to the murky-brown football smeared on his forehead.

While the big kids mull over the apple facts display, pres-choolers work diligently at "picking" apples from a tree and sending them up the hopper for "pro-

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sion fee charged. Lake Bluff Park across from the museum provides an ideal vantage point for both railroad buffs (our family has two!) and freighter-watchers.

The Amtrak squeals into town, exchanges passengers and zips away. Depending on weather and schedules, the train bridge maneuvers a 90 degree turn making room for an approaching freighter.

Just minutes north of downtown hidden on the shores of the St. Joseph River, U.S. Coast Guard station personnel conduct free mini-tours, time permitting. Informal tours given by appointment only include a peek at the watch room to listen to radio conversations and current weather reports.

The Coast Guard urges visitors to call (616) 983-6114 before making plans to tour the station.

During warmer months, you can take off our shoes and climb, crawl or creep to the top edge of the sand hills at Warren Dunes State Park in nearby Bridgman. Or, just sit at the bottom and enjoy the spectacular lake view.

Once everyone collapses at the top edge of the sand dune, take some long deep breaths and gaze out beyond the beach at the churning teal-gray waters of Lake Michigan.

Nuclear lowdown

Everything you always wanted to know about nuclear energy (and more) is cleverly explained in laymen's language via three theater presentations at the Cook Energy Information Center in Bridgman.

In Theater I a mock television studio features life-like newscasters Jared and Velva.

"Those reporters look real weird," whispers a young audience member.

Yes - the two futuristic humanoids resemble real people (a little rigid perhaps) as they cohost Energy Update 2001. The show focuses on the various types of energy needed to supply electricity for the earth in the next

Curious about the inner work-

ings of a nuclear plant? A 26-foot scale model rotates in Theater II. Visitors stand on a platform watching and listening as flashing yellow bulbs highlight the plant'smajor systems.

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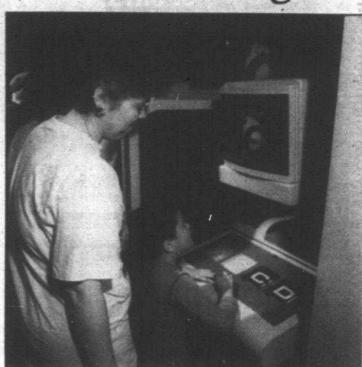
Kids love the energy-related touch screen computer tests and the hand-powered generator in the lobby.

Admission is free to the Cook **Energy Information Center which** is open Tuesday through Sunday. Call (800) 548-2555 or (616) 465-

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What's your favorite winter getaway? Send photos, and information to: Keely Wygonik, editor, Let's Go!, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. We'll print as many photos and stories as space



Educational getaway: Everything you always wanted to know about nuclear energy is cleverly explained at the Cook Energy Information Center in Bridgman. Handson exhibits like this one, make it a popular family desti-

Wish you were here



Vacation memories: The Kardel family of Canton sent us this picture taken in August 1994 at Lakewood Camping Resort, right on the ocean, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. The three boys in the picture are Matthew Kardel, 12, Kevin Kardel, 11, and Steven Kardel, 8.

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and 20 yard swimming pool. The hotel is at 720 S. Michigan Ave. and overlooks Grant Park and Lake Michigan.

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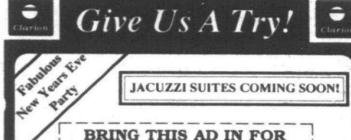
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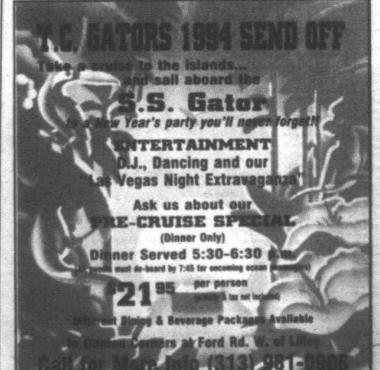
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Not that Toledo: Joan Flohr of Livonia is a travel agent who says her business is her hobby. Not a bad hobby either. This picture shows Flohr looking over the old walled city of Toledo, Spain, which she visited in

SPORTS

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Indoor soccer champs

he Livonia Youth Soccer Club Wings, an under-12 boys team, recently captured the first indoor session at Total Soccer in Farmington Hills with a 7-0-1 record.

Members of the Wings, coached by Frank Baker and Jim Davis, include Frank Baker, Greg Boothroyd, Matt Daly, Dan Davis, Chris Derrig, Brian Hagan, Matt Isner, Adam King, Jared Kullman, Kris Landis, Nick LaPlaca, John Leannais, Chad Lloyd, Justin Palmer, Mike Reid, Brandon Vandette, Ryan Vandette and Ryan Zajac. The team manager is Paulette Baker.

■ The Livonia YMCA Premier Soccer Club '85 Michigan Wolves, coached by Joe Knoerl, finished 8-0 at Total Soccer.

Members of the Wolves include Tim Allen, Michael Borowiak, Mike Budd, Josh Churella, Brian Clement, Brady Crosby, Jeff Ehehalt, Wesley Fann, Keith Mullins, Matt Okopny, Brian Pope ney, Jerred Schell, Mike Simons, Josh Van Cleef and Tony Zenn. Assistant coaches include Pat Frederick and Andy Shiner. The team manager is Edward Allen.

College sports note

ssouri Valley College cross country runner Dana Keller (Livonia Churchill) competed in the NAIA women's championships, Nov. 19 in Kenosha, Wis.

The senior's personal best time for 3.1 miles was 19:47, good enough for a third place finish in the Heart of America Conference.

Keller, a Summa Cum Laude graduate in math and elementary education, also lettered three seasons as a goalkeeper for the women's soccer team.

Good sports are winners

he Michigan High School Athletic Association has announced the recipients for the Good Sports Are Winners! awards for the recently-completed 1994 fall season.

The following Observerland schools were hon-

BOYS SOCCER: Plymouth Canton (Class A district).
FOOTBALL: Livonia Stevenson (Class AA regional). GIRLS BASKETBALL: Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevensor (Class A district), Plymouth Canton (Class A district, regional): Vestland Huron Valley (Class D district).

St. Mary cools off CC, 67-50

Redford Catholic Central suffered its first cage defeat of the season when highly-regarded Orchard Lake St. Mary Prep came away with a 67-50 victory.

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER



Redford Catholic Central lost more than a basketball game Friday.

Adding insult to injury in a 67-50 home-court defeat to Orchard Lake St. Mary Prep, the

Shamrocks also will be without the services of starter Justin Hoener. The junior point-guard will be out the next eight weeks with a broken

Hoener, who sat most of the first half because of a disciplinary suspension handed down by the Catholic League, landed awkwardly on his right leg on a drive to the basket late in the third quarter.

"It was just a regular play," Hoener said. "I just landed on it the wrong way. When I came down I heard it

"It's surprising it came in basketball. I've had a few broken bones, but never my leg or ankle."

Hoener's cast was set that night at Henry Ford Hospital.

"All I can do is study and lift (weights)," Hoener said. "My season is pretty much lost." The Shamrocks, who suffered their

first defeat in five games, simply couldn't handle the athleticism of unbeaten St. Mary (3-0), which returns several key players off last year's state Class C runner-up team.

The Eaglets came out strong, jumping out to a 17-8 first-quarter lead before CC trimmed the deficit to four at intermission, 28-24.

"At halftime I felt good because we started out slow and came back," CC first-year coach Rick Coratti said. "I thought we'd give it a run.

That run ended abruptly in the



ANN HEALEY/STAPF PHOTOGRAPHES

Tight squeeze: Catholic Central's Eron Kosmowski (with ball) finds himself surrounded by Orchard Lake players David Bowens (left) and Kylo Jones (right).

third quarter as St. Mary grew redhot, making 11 of 13 shots from the

floor during a 23-12 surge. "Patience was the key," Orchard Lake coach Denny Butcher said. "We jumped on them early because we got the ball inside, but then we went away from that.

"We got too fast and a little out of control. It was one pass, shot . . . one pass, shot . . . but when you make that extra pass, you get lay-ups, and that shows.

CC, despite three straight free throws by Ryan McKenna to start the fourth quarter, never came closer than 13 points the rest of the way.

Sophomore point-guard Kylo Jones led a balanced St. Mary scoring attack with 14 points.

Then came the team's three heralded athletes - 6-4 David Bowens, 6-3 Diallo Johnson and 6-3 Daryl Adams contributing 13 points apiece.

It was nearly a repeat of the football encounter earlier this fall between the two schools. The talented trio gave CC fits in a 20-0 win.

Bowens, a 215-pound linebacker who recently committed to Michigan in football, also grabbed 13 rebounds and five assists.

Johnson snared nine rebounds, while Adams had five steals. Kyle Baldwin chipped in with eight

points. "These guys are ready to play," said Butcher, whose team started late during the preseason because of St.

Mary's 13-0 championship run in

football (resulting in a Class CC state

Mike Ridley and Chris Misiak scored 16 and 11 points, respectively. to pace the Shamrocks. For the game, CC connected on just

20 of 55 shots from the field (36.3 per-"We just didn't hit the shots

Coratti said. "And we had some good shots, but they just didn't fall." Coratti, however, knew his team was up against a talented St. Mary

group.

"They could play," the CC coach said. "Except for Ypsilanti, they were quicker than any of the other three teams we've faced. But they're more

YEAR IN REVIEW: '94

Observerland flashed its muscle and grit in 1994

BY CHRIS MCCOSKY

You can pretty much nutshell the 1994 Observerland year in sports in three words: comebacks, championships and coaching

Thirteen area coaches either left voluntarily or were given a bit of a shove. Area tes titles in four sports and five individual titles were claimed. As for comebacks, few could top the courage shown by Clarenceville football coach Chuck Donaldson, former Livonia Stevenson allstater Bryan Morrison and Joe Brodie, son of Plymouth Salem basketball coach Bob Brodie.

We offer the top 10 Observerland sports stories of 1994:

1. State champions: Observer-land really flexed its muscle in 1994. Redford Catholic Central won the Class A title in hockey. Redford Bishop Borgess won its second straight Class C girls basketball title. Farmington Harrison won its second straight Class A football title, the seventh under Coach John Herrington. Plymouth Centon won its first ever Class A boys soccer title.

Individually, Plymouth Canton freshman Katey Gilles stole the show at the state gymnastics meet winning all-around honors. Livonia Stevenson sophomore Anne Aristeo won the state swim titles in both the 200-yard individual medley and the 500 freestyle. Another double-event state swim champ was North Farmington's Jon Kershaw, who won the 100 and 200 freestyle events.

There were two state wrestling champions: Stevenson's Craig Martin, Class A 189-pound class, and Redford Thurston's Luisy

Haddad, Class B 125 pounds.

2. Coaching changes: Plymouth Canton was hit, the hardest here. The Chiefs lost swim coach



Bye-bye Bernie: Long-time Catholic Central coach Bernie Holowicki, he of the 600-plus victories, was one of 13 area coaches to bid adieu in 1994.

Turek (one year, resigned). Hook-er Wellman's departure created one of the strangest coaching combinations in the state: Plymouth Salem wrestling coach Ron

outh Salem wrestling coach Ron Krueger is now the girls swim coach at rival Plymouth Canton. Take a deep breath. Here are the other coaches who left in 1994: Bernie Holowicki, Catholic Cen-tral baskethall, 23 years, forced out (see story No. 3); Dave Catherman, Farmington track, 24 Hooker Wellman (13 years, re-signed), boys basketball coach out (see story No. 3); Dave Dave Van Wagoner (10 years, re-catherman, Farmington track, 24 years, retired, Lynn Reed, Oak-

land Community College men's basketball, four decades, temporary leave; Tom Negoshian, North Farmington boys basketball, 11 years; John Gravlin, Plymouth Salem baseball, 11 years; Bob Holmes, Livonia Franklin track, 25 years, retired; Jim Karoub, Pranklin football, one year, re-signed; Nick O'Shea, Schoolcraft Community College soccer, took job at Oakland University; Matt

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Lady Crusaders' Koenig nets 28 in cage victory

BY BRAD EMONS

Vikki Koenig illustrated why practice makes perfect Tuesday scoring a game-high 28 points to go along with 17 rebounds in Ma donna University's 79-64 women's basketball win over West Liberty

Madonna, which has won four of its last five, improves to 7-8 overall.

West Liberty State, located near Wheeling, W.V., falls to 4-3. Koenig, a 6-foot senior center from Sterling Heights, tied the school single-game high point total held by Cheri Sangregorio. She hit 11 of 17 shots from the floor before fouling out with 5:21 to go.

Koenig, who's been averaging 14 points and 10 rebounds per game, put things in high gear dur ing the opening half, pouring in points as the Crusaders enjoy d a 44-38 halftime advantage.

Vikki had a great practice vesterday (Monday) and I knew she'd be hot today," Madonna coach Bill Potter said. "I was just oping it would carry over. She's been our most consis

ent and steady player. If we need rebound or bucket, she'll get it. Madonna, playing hawking man-to-man defense, held West Liberty to only six field goals (in 28 attempts) during the second

"Our defense has been good the whole year," Potter said. "Playing tougher competition earlier in the year made us mentally tough.

West Liberty sophomore point guard Joanna Bernabei, an NAIA All-America, suffered through an off-night with only nine points and six assists. "They (Madonna) did a great

RU loses at Palace

job on our point-guard" fourth year West Liberty coach Lynn Ul lom said. "They took her out of her game. Their guards pushed us out of our (offensive) sets.

"We had heard that they (Madonna) play hard and get after it.

Some of the Redford Union

hove basketball players wore T

shirts beneath their jerseys dur-

ing Tuesday afternoon's game at the Palace.

League's Detroit Vipers now mak

ing their home at the Palace, the

ice surface under the basketball

court has dropped the tempera-

The Panthers adjusted, but not

as well as Lincoln Park which

held on for a 56-49 win in the

opening game of the Mega Confer-

The game was one of three high

Lincoln Park overcame a 9-2

"We missed a lot of easy shots,

it was just a matter of adjusting

to the building," Lincoln Park

coach Rick Smith said. "We were

trying to establish an up-tempo

game. As big as this floor is and

shooting with no background, it's

Lincoln Park, now 3-2 overall,

has nine returnees, including 6-

foot-8 junior center Shaun Myer-

shalk, from a team that recorded a

Myerchalk led Lincoln Park

with 14 points and teammates

Jim Kurilla and Corey Keil added

12 points each. Senior guard Bri-

an Berryman had a game-high 19 points and senior forward Mike

Brown added 10 for the Panthers,

who were out-rebounded 24-14 in

the second half. Junior guard Bil-

y Morris also played well, scoring

Senior Jeremy Rule, the Panth-

ers' tallest player at 6-5, said the

players forgot about the chilly

"It was fun - a bigger court,

after Myerchalk had given the

Rail Splitters a 49-46 lead with a

Berryman tied the score for the

last time with a three-point play and 2 minutes left before Lincoln

basket to finish a fast break.

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2-18 record last season.

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Pistons' game against Milwaukee

ence White Division season.

Sweatshirts might have been

BY STEVE KOWALSKI

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RASKETBALL

much by the effort, but by the lack of execution. But Madonna played solid defense, especially when they're trapping the ball." West Liberty, however, played somewhat short-handed.

Sophomore center Christy Pea body, an 18-point per game scorer, missed the game with a sprained ankle. Another 18-point scorer, junior forward Robin Marple, was suffering from the flu. She wound up with just three points and two

"Not to make excuses, but our offense is built around her (Pea body)." Ullom said. "And her back-up had a broken finger. But that's no excuse. We didn't execute well. Molly McGuire led West Liber

with 19 points, while Carrie Ross contributed 12. Koenig, meanwhile, had plenty of help from her teammates.

Junior forward Mary Bien iewicz (Farmington Hills Mercy) and freshman forward Dawn Pelo each contributed 14 points. Senior forward Stephanie Crelley chipped in with eight.

Bieniewicz scored 10 points in second half, including a key rebound basket with 2:02 left, giv ing Madonna a commanding 70 lead. Bieniewicz hit seven of 10 shots from the floor.

Madonna returns to action 7:30 p.m. Friday at home against Adri

The Lady Crusaders are slowly ilding confidence heading into the NAIA portion of their sched They've also had to adjust without sophomore guard Meegan Marlatt, who was lost for the sea son in early December with a knee We've were beaten by some

good teams early," Potter said "But now we have great confidence playing against NAIA and (NCAA) Division III teams. We're now playing teams more on

last eight shots and Myerchalk

came out to block a three-point

"We knew they had the one

Berryman returned in the se

ond half, but the Panthers had

another scare when junior Mike

McCrea left the game with a back

injury after an offensive charge in

III Move over, Ken Calvert: RU athletic

director Jim Gibbons was the game's pub-

lic address announcer, getting assistance on press row from Palace account repre-

shot in the final minute.

fourth quarter.

the fourth quarter.

entative Mary Rogers.

Wednesday.

Mulcahy, Livonia Stevenson hockey, seven years, resigned; Jack Grenan, Schoolcraft women's basketball, 11 years, re-

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3. Bernie Holowicki: Talk about gratitude. Holowicki, the third winningest coach in Michigan prep basketball history, won his 600th game, took a team of meager talent to its seventh Catholic League title and into the regional tournament, and won Observerland Coach of the Year honors, only to be asked to leave by the Catholic Central

dministration. Still, Holowicki bowed out gracefully and with all the class and poise his teams showed through the years. By the way, ne's still at work in Observer land. He is serving as Chuck Henry's assistant at Wayne Me

4. Profiles in courage: On June 27, 1993, Chuck Donaldson lost the use of his legs and very nearly his life in a horrific car accident. In August of 1994, Donaldson was back on the sidelines coaching the Clarence-

ville football team. "I have the fear of seeing the kids not reaching their goals, said the 26-year-old. "And if it doesn't happen, I'll take it upon myself because I am their coach and leader. My priorities are for the kids. I want to see them suc

And they did. Clarenceville posted a successful 5-4 season. On June 17, 1993, Bryan Mor ison dove into the surf off the coast of France and broke his neck in two places. In July of 1994, the former all-state swimmer, who had been paravzed from the waist down and

had no feeling in his left hand, began walking and swimming.

Doctors termed his recovery On Feb 24, Plymouth Salem basketball coach Bob Brodie learned that his 14-year-old son Joe suffered a potentially fatal injury while skiing. Joe Brodie's skull had been separated from the brain stem when he crashed into a safety fence at Riverview

In December of 1994, just 10 months after surgery, Bob watched his son play basketball on the junior varsity team at Flat Rock High School.

"The other day," Bob Brodie told Mick McCabe of the Detroit Free Press, "I was watching him play and I thought: Boy there are a lot of players out there better than Joe Brodie but he's the most remarkable

DRC cancels Michigan Mile: It was one of the longest standing traditions in thes parts, the running of the Michi gan Mile at DRC. The purse had grown to \$250,000. But last June the DRC pulled the plug on the tradition. Citing dwindling crowds and the inability to compete with casino gambling in Windsor, DRC cancelled the Michigan Mile.

nia. Mark Beaufait plastered his bedroom walls with posters of the 1980 Miracle on Ice U.S. Olympic triumph. In 1994, Beaufait was a member of the U.S. Olympic hockey team. The

6. Mark Beaufait, Olympi

an: As a kid growing up in Livo-

Beaufait, former Northern Michigan standout and IHL All-Star, was one of the team's eading scorers. He currently plays for San Di-

reasons. This even though Head

had fulfilled all NCAA require-

Student-athletes with far less

academic achievement and acu

men than Head have been ad-

mitted to Iowa. That's a plain

fact. But those students were

perceived to be more of a sure

thing athletically. And that,

more than any other reason, was

Head will be fine, though. He

why Iowa did not accept him.

is part of a strong Eastern Mich

8. Big Valley: Actually, this

turned out to be a non-story for

1994. School officials sat down

and tried to put together a mega

conference featuring the 12

Western Lakes schools, the sev-

en Kensington Valley Confer-

ence schools and the two Ann

Arbor public schools. The con-

ference would have spanned

four counties, ranging from

Howell to the west, Hartland to

the north, the Livonia schools to

the east and Ann Arbor to the

But, alas, the 12 Western

igan University team.

tween the two conferences. "I think everybody at the 7. James Head: A sad tale. meeting came away with a posi-Plymouth Salem's James Head tive outlook on this item," said signed a binding letter-of-intent Churchill's Rod Hosman. "We to play basketball at the Univerhave all kinds of options, but sity of Iowa in November of the timing is not right now." 1993. In late August of 1994.

just as Head was preparing to head west, he was told by uni-Perhaps this will be on the top 10 list in 1995. versity officials that he was de nied admission for academic

9. Madonna softball: In 1993, Jerry Abraham put Madonna University athletics on the NAIA map by taking his volleyball team into the NAIA final eight. In 1994, Abraham took over a struggling softball program at Madonna. Guesa what? He took it to the NAIA World Series. The team won 40 games, including two in the Se

Lakes principals voted in Aug-

ust to keep the status quo, at least for this year. The officials

agreed to pursue more cross-scheduling opportunities be-

10. Garden City Collegiate Baseball: Ouch. The first-year Livonia Collegiate Baseball League team won 11 of its final 12 games and appeared to be a good bet to win the league playoffs and a berth in the naional tournament in Altoona

Unfortunately, due to a clerical error by coach Fred Holton, the team was banned from the post-season tourney.

Player Marcus Saranovsky was ruled ineligible because the proper paper work wasn't delivered to the league until July 8 seven days after the league

Albion's Curtis wears gold watch for national title

People wear watches to tell

The gold watch Kevin Curtis received recently will be for reminding him of the time he played on the Albion College footoall team that won the 1994 NCAA Division III national

Curtis, a 1993 Garden City High School graduate, isn't one to boast so he won't be wearing the watch often. It'll be displayed much like a trophy.

(tall) guy, but I thought we'd han-"I have an MIAA (Michigan Indle it because we have three that dependent Athletic Association) can rebound," RU coach Tip championship ring, but I don't Smathers said. "You always hate wear much jewelry at all," said to lose a starter (to foul trouble), Curtis, a 6-foot-2, 220-pound because they're important guys. sophomore who played a key role Brown is a scorer, shot blocker for Albion on special teams and as a reserve outside linebacker Lincoln Park had six turnovers "The watch will be more of a the second half, while RU commemory type thing. I don't want mitted 11, including three beto show it off, be known as a star

cause of offensive fouls in the or something. That humbleness is a trait RU led 19-17 after one quarter Curtis says is shared by his teamand 28-25 at halftime. The half mates, who despite owning a 28 ended with Berryman hitting his game MIAA winning streak and head on the padded basket supsix straight league championport after blocking a Lincoln Park

their accomplishments. The Britons put the finishing touches on their 13-0 season with a 38-15 victory over Washington & Jefferson College in the championship game played before

Several thousand fans followed the Britons to the national championship game and gave them an appreciation day when they returned. It seemed only a matter of time before the Britons would achieve Division III's highest honor, since they are 87-24-2 overall under coach Pete Schmidt and lost in the 1993 Division III

"We have a great coaching staff that has been around and knows how to win and keep kids focused," said Curtis, who majors in business. "We have a real humble team, too. There's not too much talking, they just get things

Base

one another.

teams and saw limited action as a reshman, was the top reserve at both outside linebacker positions behind MIAA defensive player of the year Jim Davis and Jared

Wood, a former defensive back, played mostly in passing situations, while Curtis was a regular against run-oriented teams and started one game and finished the season with 32 tackles, including one sack. He had six tackles in each of the Olivet, Kalamazoo and Augustana games.

excelled on special teams.

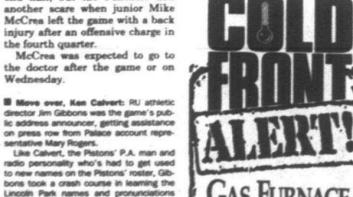
done. We have a lot of respect for what I learned most. Curtis was a linebacker Curtis, who played on special

wide receiver at Garden City, bu started out as a tight end at Al bion. Curtis said he was one of about 12 trying to make a first im pression with the coaching staff. Fortunately for Curtis and the Britons, his time at tight end was

"They had just lost an All-American tight end and really re cruited tight ends that year Curtis said. "I played wide receiv er, slash wide receiver and linebacker in high school. They saw liked to hit, even though I was playing tight end, and gave me the opportunity to move."

ability to get to the ball, end that would start the next tw tribute the quickest."

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Like Calvert, the Pistons' P.A. man and radio personality who's had to get used to new names on the Pistons' roster, Gib bons took a crash course in learning the Lincoln Park names and pronunciations before the game. It was a perfect opportunity for Gibbons

to capture an audience for one of his jokes, but Gibbons refrained. "I have the classic style, no frills, just facts," Gibbons said.

III One and only: RU might be the only school in the state to have played a foot-cell game at the Silverdome and a bas-

school yest.

The Panithers played Redford Thurston at the Sitverdome in the football season.

Rule said. "It was not quite that The basketball team should have fondor memories of its visit to the Palace. The Some of the fans, who kept football team was blown out by Thurston. their winter coats on at courtside, would disagree.

Brown fouled out with 2:53 left

lucky chain of events."

Park's Clint Dorey made the deficit two with a put-basket. Senior Eric Ruffner added a pair of free throws with 49.9 seconds left and Lincoln Park stole an in-bounds pass 15 seconds lat-

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III Good move: Gibbons said the game was played at the Palace because "of a Gibbons seld Lincoln Park athletic director Bob Amerose was contacted by Palace officials about moving a game

Each school bought 250 general ac-mission tickets at \$10 apileos. The cost included admission to the Platons' game. "We try to do things for the kids, and the Palace people have been great," Gib-



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used game Dec. 16 at Lincoln Park We're The Inside Guys.

FOOTBALL

ships, don't like to talk abou

168 fans at Salem, Va.

playoff quarterfinals to Mount

Curtis said he learned a lot playing behind Davis, who also

during running situations. Curtis

"The poor guy only got off the field when the offense was out there," Curtis said. "I can see myself, if I get the starting job, staying on special teams. I take pride in them, going down making the big hit now and then.

"I've got some big shoes to fill

Jim's got a great attitude, that's

short-lived.

"We liked how aggressive he was, he had good size and the Schmidt said. "We found a tigh years, and we didn't want Kevin behind him. Kevin's a good football player, and we wanted to move him where he would con

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OUTDOORS CALENDAR

FISHING CLUBS E FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Maplewood Center in Garden City, 477-3816. Bob Mitchel will be the featured speaker at the January meeting. Mitchel will cover the basics of ice fishing, including the latest equipment, techniques,

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School, (810) 478-1494.

safety and local hot spots

IN METRO-WEST STEEL HEADERS Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at Garden City High School, 420-2965.

SHOWS AND EVENTS

S DETROIT BOAT SHOW The 37th annual Detroit Boat

Show, featuring more than 300 ex hibitors with all the latest boats and boating equipment, will be held Feb. 4-12 at the Cobo Center.

S OUTDOORAMA

The Michigan United Conserva tion Clubs' Outdoorama, featuring exhibits and merchandise booths, seminars, displays, out fitters, contests and more, will be held Feb. 24 to March 5 at the Novi Expo Center.

SHOOTING RANGES

B PONTIAC LAKE

The shooting range at the Pontiac Lake Recreation Area, 10 miles west of Pontiac off M-59, is open Friday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., (810) 666-1020.

III RALD MOUNTAIN

The rifle and handgun range at the Bald Mountain Recreation Area, three miles north of The Palace in Lake Orion, is open 10 a.m. to sunset on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. The shot gun and archery ranges are open noon to sunset on Tuesday and Thursday, and 10 a.m. to sunset on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday, (810) 814-9193 or (810) 693-6767

MEETINGS/ CLASSES

B PERSONAL PROTECTION The Wayne County Sportsman's Club in Romulus will sponsor the NRA's Personal Protection Program, developed by the NRA's Women's Issues committee, be

ginning Jan. 9, (313) 532-0285. B HUNTER EDUCATION Club vill offer several DNR Hunter Education classes in

1995. The first class will be held

lumbing & Heat

BATH and KITCHEN REMODELING

Jan. 28-29 at the WCSC Club-

house in Romulus, (313) 532-

0285

SEASONS

M ARCHERY DEER

Statewide through Jan. 1. **B** BASS

Statewide through Dec. 31. Through Jan. 1 in the Lower Pen-

E RABBIT Statewide through March 31

Statewide through Jan 1. **METROPARKS**

A WINTER NIGHT HIKE Explore nature's winter wonder land after dark and learn about

plant and animal survival during the cold season during this evening hike, which begins at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, at Indian Springs. III NEW YEAR'S BIRD COUNT An annual winter census of the park's bird population begins at 8

a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at Kensing-

ton. Led by experienced birders

groups will spend the morning lo-

cating, identifying and counting birds. Participants should bring noculars and a lunch. **E PRESCRIPTION FOR WINTER**

An indoor slide presentation cov ering the fundamentals of winter hiking followed by a hike along one of the park's longer trails begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at Kensington.

M HIBERNATION - THE DEEP SLEEP

A program for ages 15 and older in which participants will learn the hows and whys of hibernation and which animals truly use it begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, at Indi

III METROPARK REQUIREMENTS Most Metropark programs are

free, while some require a nomi nal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

OAKLAND **COUNTY PARKS**

E TUNING YOUR TOT INTO WINTER Children ages 3-6 will learn about the wonders of winter through stories, songs, a snack and a craft in this program, which begins at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 4 and Jan. 5, at Independence Oaks. The program will also be offered at 1 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 7 **B** FINE FEATHERED FRIENDS

Learn about bird identification feeders, food and behavior while observing many types of birds from the comfort of the Nature Center in this program, which begins at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at Independence Oaks.

Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information

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total of 16 fish that weighed 33

pounds, 2 ounces. Kim Stric-

kler, of Howell, won the pro di-

vision with 19 bass that tipped

the scale at 61 pounds 15

ounces. If you missed the tour-

nament you can catch some of

the action you missed on Jan. 22

when The Nashville Network

(TNN) broadcasts the tourna-

ment on its weekly series, THE

compete in a wide variety of

weedy, sandy lake with a 24-

mile-wide surface area is one of

the best smallmouth fisheries in

Speaking of bass fishing, a

pair of local pros recently hit the

national circuit. Patrick Van-

Nem of Plymouth and Rick

VanTiem, of West Bloomfield,

both competed in the \$195,000

BASSMASTER Georgia East

ern Invitational, Dec. 1-3, on

Lake Lanier in Buford, Ga. Un-

laced in the money.

Hooked on fishing

ortunately, neither angler

Sportfishing, environmental

It doesn't seem like these three topics have much in comthe O&E area, mon, but an effort by the Future competed in Fisherman Foundation, the edu-Michigan cational arm of the Sportfishing BASSMAS. Association of America, has TER Top 100 linked the three in an effort to bass tournaeducate youth about the pitfalls ment, Aug. 24of drug abuse.

A parents guide to "Hooked on Fishing-Not on Drugs," a booklet published by the Future of Bloomfield Fisherman's Foundation, is Hills won the amateur division available to interested parents. championship with a four-day

Bassmasters hit Nashville

per in terms of buck harvest. Upper Peninsula hunters took The program is used by schools, churches, police departments and other organizations to provide a healthy alternative to enhance the development of life skills that divert children from using drugs. For a copy of the booklet send

\$2 to: Future Fisherman Foundation, 1033 N. Fairfax St., Suite, 200, Alexandria, VA. 22314 or call (501) 484-0055.

port from the Michigan Depart-

THE BASSMASTERS series begins Sunday and features the Safe, successful season worlds' top-ranked pros as they According to a preliminary re-

> ment of Natural Resources, the 1994 firearms deer season was the safest on record. In addition, the overall harvest was up approximately five percent. arms season. The survey ha 'This year's centennial of Michigan's first licensed deer season has been the safest in the state's history," said DNR

Director Rollie Harmes, "I com-

mend the 2,500 volunteer hunter

safety instructors who conduct

rses and certify about 32,000

to report their success. Questions new hunters each year. We have and comments are also encour them to thank for the improveaged. Send information to Out ment in safety statistics. doors, 805 E. Maple, Birming ham, MI. 48009. Fax inform Although this season was the safest on record, we can still do tion to (810) 644-1314 or call Bill better. Despite the success of Parker at (810) 901-2573.

grams there were still 18 accidents this year including three

compared to 215,670 last year.

Harmes said there was a 9-

percent increase in the buck

harvest this year, up to 168,000 from last year's kill of 154,560.

For the second year in a row, the

southern Lower Peninsula le

the northern Lower and the Up-

42,000 bucks, northern Lower

Peninsula hunters took 61,000

"allowed

cline in the antlerless harvest.

The harvest is estimated by a

survey of southbound hunter

traffic through the 16-day fire

provided an early and accurat

stimate for more than 30 years

Final harvest numbers, based

on a mail survey of this year's

Hunters and anglers are urged

hunters will be released in July

hunters took 59,940.

deer in the herd.

the state's history.

day (for Monday edition) and noon Tuesday (for Thursday edi-Early estimates indicate

SECOLLEGE NOTES hunters took 226,000 whitetails during the Nov. 15-30 season

Walparaiso University fresh-man point-guard Mo Drabicki (Livonia Stevenson) recently had 4 points, nine assists and seven steals in the Crusaders' 89-63 women's basketball triumph over

COLLEGE SPORTS

Items for the Sports Roundup

Aurora (III.). M Adrian College sophomore guard Chrissy Daly (Livonia Churchill) tossed in 10 points in a 65-64 women's basketball defeat Dec. 17 to Concordia College. Daly is averaging 10.6 points per

and southern Lower Peninsula The Bulldogs (3-5) return to action Friday at Madonna Universi-Harmes attributed this in ty. Game time is 7:30 p.m. crease in the buck harvest to ex-Ferris State junior linebacker cellent hunting conditions Mike Brooks (Churchill) set a school record with 104 solo tacspend more time afield," and a kles this season.

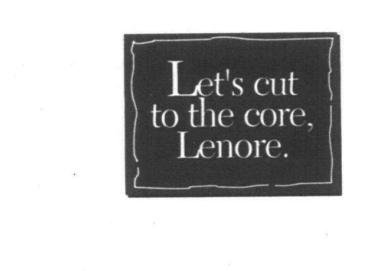
large number of 11/2-year-old Brooks, who was selected first team All-Midwest Intercollegist A reduction in the number of Football Conference for the secantlerless licenses issued by the ond straight year, also tied the DNR resulted in a 5-percent de Bulldogs' record for total tackles in a season with 202 (he shares This year's firearms season i the record with Monty Brown of estimated as the seventh best in the Buffalo Bills).

THE WEEK AHEAD

(Superintendents' Tip Off Class at Detroit's Cobo Arena) Cass Tech vs. W.L. Central, 4 p.m. Westland Glenn vs. Det. Denby, 6 p.m

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Thursday, Dec. 29 Madonna at Tiffin Tourney, 6 & 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30 Southwestern CC at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m. Tiffin (Ohio) Tourney, 4 & 6 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Friday, Dec. 30 Adrian College at Madonna, 7:30 p.m.





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YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND CANTON

LOCAL **EVENTS**

459-6401

SKATHY STATION Canton Parks and Recre ation in conjunction with the Skatin' Station II of Canton is sponsoring a series of roller/in-line programs for all ages. Register in person. Information,

III LIGHT DISPLAY Visit the Christmas light display at Domino's Farms. See the live nativ ty scene 6-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday through Jan.

8. Information, 930-3123. **W HOLIDAY CARDS** Michigan Cancer Founda tion holiday greeting cards are half-off Thursday, Dec. 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 744 Wing St., in Plymouth. Hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. They offer several designs ranging from the traditional to the contemporary. Proceeds from card

sales will support the foun-

dation's research, educa-

tion and patient care pro-

B AUDITIONS Plymouth Community Chorus open auditions will be held 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Jan. 3, with prescheduled auditions at 7 p.m. on subsequent Tuesdays as re-

quired in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial Road, west of Shell don in Plymouth Township. Information, 455

B SOCCER REGISTRATION Registration for spring soccer will begin at the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department Jan. 2-31. This is open to boys and girls ages 5-18. The cost is \$40 per player and you must bring a birth certificate and Social Security number when registering. 455-6620.

B RAFFLE

The Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Plymouth is conducting its second annual \$1,000 a month raffle. Ticket cost is \$100. This entitles you to a chance at a drawing for \$1,000 each month of 1995. If you are a winner your ticket is placed back in for future drawings. It is possible it could be drawn again for another \$1,000. Informs tion, 453-7091.

B KINDERMUSIK CLASSES Arnoldt Williams Music on Canton Center Road, in Canton, will start Kindermusik classes the weeks of Jan. 9 and Jan. 23. Beginnings (18 months-31/4 years), Growing With Kindermusik (3%-4% years), and Year 1 (41/6-7 years.) Classes run through May 5. To register, call Norma Atwood at 981-5969 (for Beginnings and Growing with Kindermusik) and Charlene Bork at 459-5515 (Year 1).

8 THRIFT SHOP

The Presbyterian Women Thrift Shop will be open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, and is accepting men's, women's and chil dren's used clothing for resale (also small appli ances). The profit goes to

III NEW MORNING SCHOOL Preschool has openings in

mission work. 459-1250.

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday preschool for 4- and 5-year-olds. Classes meet 9-11:45 a.m. at New Morn ing School, 14501 Hagger ty, Plymouth Township. All programs emphasize planning and goal-setting. individualized instruction and active student participation. 420-3331

III CHILDREN'S NURSERY Plymouth Children's Nur sery Co-op has openings for morning and afternoon sessions for children ages 3-4 Sessions are 9:15-11:15 a.m. and 12:45-2:45 p.m. Classes include story time. art games, play and musical activities are held at 5825 N. Sheldon Road. 451-0213 or 455-6250.

COED VOLLEYBALL Plymouth Parks and Rec

reation coed volleyball registration is under way. Teams are allowed as many nonresidents as they wish. A resident is any player who lives or works full time in the city of Plymouth or Canton Township. There is a limit of 16 teams for the league. \$250 plus \$15 per non-resident player, 455-6620.

B COUNTRY / WESTERN DANCE

Seniors' line dance lessons will be 1-2:30 p.m. every Thursday through June at the Plymouth Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. Everyone welcome. \$4 per class.

B ART SALE

The Plymouth Community Arts Council's Art Rental Gallery is having a "Sell It So We Don't Have to Move It" sale. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

'95 books are on sale by the Plymouth Optimist Club. 100 percent of proceeds

causes throughout southeast Michigan. Entertain ment books offer up to 50percent savings on dining, movies, special events, the ater, travel, car washes and more. Price is \$40. Homedelivered. Call Ken Fisher at 728-7619 or Bill Von Glahn at 453-8253.

B CHILDREN'S SUPPORT Community Hospice Services is offering a free Children's Grief Support Series. To register, call Vicki Dealardins or Joan John-

III CLOTHING BASIK The Plymouth-Centon schools' clothing bank will

son at 522-4224.

Ice time



Festival: The 13th annual Plymouth Ice Spectacular will be Jan. 11-16. For more informa tion about the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, call Watts-Up Inc. at 459-6969

be open Tuesdays only. Hours are 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m. during the school year. To make an appointment or for more information, call 416-6179 during open hours. The bank accepts donations of clothing in good condition during open hours.

CLUBS

B NEW YEAR'S DANCE Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9885 and the Ladies Auxiliary are sponsoring a New Year's Eve dinner dance on Saturday, Dec. 31 The doors will open at 6 p.m. for cocktails, dinner to follow 8-9 p.m. There will be dancing until 2 a.m. with music provided by D.J. Bob Hayden, formerly of "Honey Radio." For tickets, call the post at

B SINGLE PLACE Bowl New Year's Eve at 8

p.m. at Novi Bowl and at 11 p.m. move to the Akropolis Cafe in downtown Northville for dinner. Cost is \$30 if reservations are made before noon Friday, Dec. 30, and \$34 after that. Call (810) 349-0911 to make reservations and in dicate at that time your choice for dinner: steak barbecue ribs or shark

IR CANTON NEWCOMERS The Canton Newcomers general meeting will be held Wednesday, Jan. 4,

and the meeting at 7:30 p.m. for a pizza party and game night at the Sunflower Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford Road in Canton. Information, 453-3693, 416-0284 or 981-4915.

III WOMAN'S CLUB The first Plymouth Woman's Club meeting of the new year will be 12:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, at the First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth Township. The program will be "If You Can't Change the Latitude,

E PWF

No. 130. Parents Without Partners is meeting at the Cadillac Cafe, 30555 Grand River, Farmington Hills. They meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month. Parent and family activities are planned. New members welcome at 8 p.m. for orientation. General meeting at 8:30 p.m. Afer the meeting, they go into the lounge for dancing to music played by a D.J. Diane, 464-1969.

M YMCA CLASSES

Class: Session I: Jan. 4-Feb. 13 (6 weeks), Session II: Feb. 15-March 27 (6 weeks); Youth Muscles in Motion: Session I: Jan. 9-Feb. 25 (7 weeks), Session II: March 6-April 29 (7 weeks) omit week of 4/17): Stop Smoking/Weight Control: 6-8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 16; Kreatives: Jan. 9-Feb. 23, 10 a.m. noon or 1-3 p.m.; 1/4 pints in the Kitchen: Saturdays, Jan. 7-Feb. 11, (6 weeks); Preschool Indoor Soccer: Session I: Week of Jan. 9-Feb. 17, Session II: Week of Feb. 21-April 7, omit kethall League: Session I: Jan 9 Feb 18 Session II Feb. 20-April 8 omit week of Feb 28: Floor Hockey Travel League: Session I:

The 60 plus club will meet Tuesday, Jan. 3, at First United Methodist Church. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass for the potluck. Program will

Jan. 9. 453-2904.

SPECIAL EXHIBIT Local artist Sharon Lee Change the Attitude. Carol Fink, president of Happy Trails, will be the speaker. Dues for 1995 are

Livonia-Redford Chapter

SPECIAL **EVENTS**

week of Feb. 28; Youth Volleyball: Session I: Week of Jan. 9-Feb. 17; Youth Bas-

CALENDAR FORM

The Plymouth and Canton Observers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Canton Observer, 744 Wing, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 313-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon

Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions. Event: Date and Time: Location: Telephone: Additional info.

> S MALL WALKERS Twelve Oaks Mall is open

Jan. 10-Feb. 14, Session II: Feb. 21-April 4; Floor Hockey Skills Session I: Jan. 12-Feb. 16. Session II: March 9-April 13; Indoor Soccer Travel League: Ses sion I: Beginning week of

sion II: Beginning March

2; Basket Skills: Session I

155 S. Main in Plymouth

11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m.

Friday. Fees for city resi-

5439.

Dillenbeck of D and M Studio will be exhibiting her award-winning oil painting "Forgotten Friends" at the Plymouth Historical Museum's special exhibit at Christmas for children and children at heart. The painting will be displayed with the original cast of bears set in a Victorian setting. The exhibit will run until Jan. 31, at

OPEN SKATING Open skate time for all those looking to kill a lunch hour or looking to get a little exercise. The ice arena has open skate at the following lunch hours: noon to 1:20 p.m. Monday; 1-2:30 p.m. Tuesday: 11:20 a.m. to 2:40 p.m. Wednesday; 1-2:40 p.m. Thursday:

dents are \$2.75 adults, \$2 children; \$1.50, seniors; \$1.25, skate rental. For non-city residents: \$3.25, adults; \$2.50, children; \$2,

Step Aerobics Fitnes

III OPEN ICE SKATING The Plymouth Cultural Ice Arena, at 525 Farmer in Plymouth, has open skat ing: Mondays - 8:40-9:40 a.m., noon to 1:20 p.m., 7-8 p.m.: Tuesdays - 9:40-11:30 a.m., 1-2:30 p.m.; Wednesdays - 8:30-10 a.m., 11:20 a.m. to 1:20 p.m.; Thursdays - 8:40-11:40 a.m., 1-2:40 p.m., 4 5:20 p.m.; Fridays - 9:40-11:40 a.m., 11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., 7-8 p.m.; Sunday - noon to 1:20 p.m., 1:30-2:50 p.m. Fees for city residents are \$2.75, adults \$2, children; \$1.50, seniors. For nonresidents - \$3.25, adults; \$2.50, children; \$2, seniors. Skate rental is \$1.25. Open Skate Line, 455-1782.

W RENAISSANCE CHORUS Rehearsals will be held 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Newburg Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail in Livonia. They are looking for men to sing four-part harmony. Tenors, leads, baritones, and

8 SWEET ADELINES Spirit of Detroit Sweet

Adelines, a women's cho rus devoted to the singing of four-part harmony, barbershop style meets yearround, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays, Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, I-96 and Inkster Road. Reading music is not a requirement. Jan. (313) 534-4468.

through Saturday and at 10 a.m. Sunday. (810) 348-**8 HANDS-ON MUSEUM**

for walkers 8 a.m. Monday

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum is offering many winter activities, including exhibitions and demonstrations. 219 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor. (313) 995-

W VOLLEYBALL

First Presbyterian Church of Northville is sponsoring adult volleyball, 6:30 p.m. every Sunday or 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Cost is \$1. (810) 349-0911

FOR KIDS

E CARAVAN, CHIPPEWA Caravan and Chippewa

programs for 4-year-olds through sixth-graders 7. 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Plymouth Church of the Nazarene, 45801 Ann Arbor Road This is a scouting-type program where children will be involved in spiritual, mental, physical and social development ac

B LEADERS CLUB National YMCA program for kids ages 11-15 meets 7-8:30 p.m. first and third Wednesdays, Plymouth YMCA office, 248 S.

Union. 453-2904.

MURSERY SCHOOL Creative Day Nursery School, at the Canton Free

Methodist Church, has openings. Programs are half day, for children ages 21/4-5, and include: learning games and songs, art and musical activities, sharing and storytime. 981-3990 or 981-6470.

HEALTH

M FREE SCREENINGS

Annapolis Hospital offers free cancer screenings monthly. Pap screenings for women, colorectal screenings for all adults and prostate screenings for men, (includes a physician exam and PSA blood test). 33155 Annapolis Ave., Wayne. Call for an appointment, 467-5555.

E GLAUCOMA DESEADON The Sinai Hospital Center

for Ophthalmic Research ducting a research program. People who partici pate must have no family history of glaucoma, and uncomplicated, early-stage primary, open-angle glaucome. Eight non-invasive tests will be given; only one eve will be tested. Call (313) 493-5988.

8 RUNNERS/WALKERS Spitfire men's and women's running club, 7 p.m. Thursdays, Plymouth Canton High School track.

451-5966.

Group walks for walkers, 10 a.m. Monday-Friday, St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren, Canton, 455-9042.

LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH 14175 Farmington Rd. (Just N. of I-96) · Livonia Church • 522-6830 School/Day Care • 513-8413

Rev. Luther A. Werth, Pasior Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class 9:45 a.m.

New Year's Eve Worship: 7:00 p.m. New Year's Day Worship 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. "Walking With God in '95"

> ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN High & Elm Streets, Northville T. Lubeck, Pastor

Wednesday Worship 7:30 p.m

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN Church & School 5885 Ve Bis. N of Ford Rd. Westland 425 Divine Worship & & 11:00 A.M.-5885 Venoy Bible Class & SS 9:30 A.M.

Risen Christ Lutheran 46250 Ann Arbor Road Worship Service 8:30 & 11:00 A.M

Family Sunday School 9:45 A.M. K. M. Mehrt. Pastor Hugh McMartin, Lay Minister ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

WORSHIP SERVICES 1 Pastor Ralph E. Unger - 474-0679

CHURCH IN AMERICA

Timothy Lutheran Church 8820 Wayne Rd. Livonia · 427-2290 unday Services 9:00 & 10:30 A.M Sunday School 9:00 A.M.

APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN

FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH 26325 Halstead Road at 11 Mile

NORTHWEST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship 7:00 P.M. Wedn sday Service 7:00 P.M.

Rev Richard L. Karr, Pasto

3845 Middlebell 11/2 Blks S. of 10 Mile

Farmington Hills, Michigan Sunday School - 9:15 A.M. Bible Class - Tuesday 7:30 P.M. Song Services - Last Sunday of Month 7:00 P.M.

CATHOLIC

25310 Joy Road • Redford, Michigan

Priest's Phone (810) 784-9511

Mass Schedule:

First Fri. 7:00 p.m.
First Sat. 9:00 a.m.
Sun. 7:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
Mon. 11:00 a.m.

Confessions Heard Prior to Each Mass

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1160 Penniman Ave

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Rev John I. Sullivan

Masses: Mon.-Pri. 9:00 A.M., Sat. 5:00 P.M. Sunday 8:00, 10:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M.

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Sunday 7:45 & 10 A.M. Holy Eucharis Morning - Nursery Care Availal The Rev. Robert Clapp, Rector Every knee shall bow and every longui

BAPTIST

BETHEL BAPTIST TEMPLE

29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia

525-3664 or 261-9276

REDFORD BAPTIST CHURCH 25295 Grand River Avenue at 7 Mile Road

Minister for Children. Sharon Soon Director of Music. Donns. Gusson

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

25295 Grand River Avenue at 7 Mile Road Redford, Michigan 533-2300

Sunday Worship 9.30 A.M. Church School 10.45 A.M. Midweek Family Program, Wednesdays 5.45

New Year's Bay - January 1st

WITHOUT THE PEOPLE GOD'S VISION PERISHES"

FAMILY WORSHIP

BIBLE SCHOOL

FARMINGTON HILLS CHURCH

(Independent Baptist)
Sundays 10:90 A.M. Comfort Inn Conference Roor

et us note another phase of salvation, hase THREE is the VITAL imparting by lod of the Divine nature to a sinner. This is "being born again/new birth regenera-ion" (John 1:13; 3:3, 5; Titus 3:8). Our

EPISCOPAL

Mon.-Fri. 9:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist

Wednesday 6:00 P.M. Dinner & Clas Saturday 5:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist

ST. ANDREW'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

421-8451

January 1st

6:00 P.M. "A New Beginning"

"A Church That's Concerned About People"

Welcomes You!

425-6215 or 425-1116

Please call Church Office

28440 LYNDON, LIVONIA, MI

for schedule of other services

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES-

Sunday School

Morning Worship.

INDEPENDENT BAPTIST BIBLE

YOUTH AWANA CLUBS

10:00 A.M.

. 6:00 P.M.

7:30 P.M

7 Mile Road

. SUN. 10:30 A.M

.. SUN. 6:00 P.M

EPISCOPAL CHURCH of the HOLY SPIRIT 9083 Newburgh Road Livonia - 591-0211 ST. ANNE'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH The Rev. Emery F. Gravelle, Vicor The Rev. Margaret Hase, Assistant Sunday Services 6:30 a.m. Hoty Eucharist 10:30 a.m. Femily Eucharist Sunday Scho A Barrier Free Facility for the Handicapped

Faith Covenant Church Making Faith a Way of Life day School For All Ages 9:30 s.m. Sunday Worship 10:45 s.m.

35415 W. 14 Mile Road (at Drake Roa 810-661-9191

CHURCHES OF CHRIST

35475 Five Mile Rd. 464-6722 MARK McGILVREY, Minister Paul Rumbuc, Youth Minister BLE SCHOOL (At ages) 9:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Morning worship - 9:30 & 10:45 a.m. Adult Worship & Young Groups 6:30 p.m.

KENWOOD CHURCH of CHRIST 20200 Merriman Road 476-8222 MIKE HAZELTON, Minister Ray Sanders, Youth Minister SIBLE SCHOOL (All Ages) \$20 A.M.
REPRINC MORSHIP & YOUTH MEETINGS \$20 P.M.
EVENING MORSHIP & YOUTH MEETINGS \$20 P.M.

CHRISTADELPHIANS

Sunday Memorial Service 10:00 A.M. **Bible Class** Wednesdays 8:00 P.M. 36516 Parkdele, Livonia - 425-7610

ADVENTIST

& SUPERIOR ADVENTIST ACADEMY Grades 1-8 4256 Napler Read - Physicalli WORSHIP SERVICES ATURERY Seption School S-15 a.m. Silver Street Stre

Rev. Victor F. Halboth, Pastor

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

MISSOURI SYNOD

25630 GRAND RIVER at BEECH DAL

Worship Service

9:15 & 11:00 A.M.

9:15 & 11:00 A.M

Adult Bible Class 9:45 A.M.

Wisconsin Evangelical

Lutheran Churches

WISCONSIN LUTHERAN

RADIO HOUR

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In Livonia

St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

17810 Farmington Road

Pastors Carl Pagel & James Hoff

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 A.M

Sunday School & Bible Classes 9:45

In Redford Township

Lola Park Ev. Lutheran Church

15750 Kinloch

Pastor Gregory Gibbons - 532-8655

Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

Sunday School 9:45 A.M

CHRISTIAN

HOSANNA-TABOR Monday Evening Service 7:30 P.M. Raiph Fischer, Pastor Gary D. Headapohi, Associate Pastor **LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL** 9600 Leverne - So. Redford - 937-2424 Rev Glenn Kopper Rev Lawrence Witto WORSHIP WITH US unday Morning 8:30 & 11:00 A.M. Monday Evening 7:00 P.M.

> LUTHERAN CHURCH WISCONSIN SYNOD

FVANGELICAL LUTHERAN

Rev. Mary T. Olivanti, Pastor 261-0766

SCIENCE First Church of Christ, Scientist, Plymoutl 1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, M. Sunday Service 10 50 a m Sunday School 10 50 a m Aed Evening Testimony Meeting 7 40 p.n.

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Something

Comfortable.

Slip Into

Church.

TRI-CITY CHRISTIAN CENTER

MICH. AVE & HANNAN RD/326-0330

SUN 8:15A, 11:00A, 6:00P

PENTECOSTAL

CHRISTIAN HARMONY MINISTRIES

24230 West McNichols 2 Blocks West of Telegrapi Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Friday Praise and Worship 7:00 p.m. Paster Donna Lach 532-1000

FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF PLYMOUTH 291 E. SPRING ST. 2 Blocks N. of Main - 2 Blocks E. of Mill SUNDAY
Blife School: 10:06 A.M.
WEDNESDAY
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(Surpay) Presided in 8.M. Pastor Frank Howard - Ch. 453-0323

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Worship

Worship Services 8:15 a.m. Prayer & Praise Service 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES Dr. Wm. C. Moore - Pastor

Rev. Wm. Branham - Associate Pasto Nursery Provided 5 Phone 459-9550

THE NAZARENE

NATIVITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 9435 Henry Ruff at West Chicago Livonia 48150 - 421-5406

PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.)



10:30 Worship & Sunday School Church School, Infants, Kindergarten Rev. Richard I. Peters

16700 Newburgh Road Livonis 464-8844 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. All Ages Family Worship 11:00 a.m. "A NEW CREATION"

A Creative Christ Centered Congregation GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) 835 Sheldon Rd., Canton (313) 459-0013

Sunday Worship & Church School 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Education For All Ages Childcare Provided - Handicapped Accesible Resources for Hearing and Sight Impaired

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Sunday Worship - 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

"A church ministering to today's needs"

NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 476-8860 Farmington Hills Worship, Church School & Nurses January 1st 11:00 a.m. Only

"We Have Reason to Celebrate" stor Richard A Peacock Rev Robert Bough
Rev William Frayer

NEWBURG UNITED

422-0149 Worship Services & Sunday School 9:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Jan. 1st - 10:00 Only "Promises, Promises...

Ministers: Dr. Gilson M. Miller Rev. Melanie L. Carey -

January 1st

Pastors Bob & Diana Goudie

CAMPUS NOTES

and has completed internships with the United Automobile Workers Internatonal Union, Eaton County Employment Center and the Senate Democratic office in Lansing. He is a member of the Human Resource Association of Greater Detroit, the Michigan and Ontario Compensation Association and the Detroit Chapter of the Society for

Human Resource Management.

B ANDREW HOLSHIRTON AND RESECCA 100M, of Plymouth Canton High School, attended a special fall visitation day at Albion College in October. The visitation provided an opportunity for prospective students and their parents to tour the campus, meet faculty and students, and at-

tend informational sessions on academics, special

To submit your academic honor or graduation announcement to Campus Notes, send the material printed or typewritten to: Bridget Moran, Plymouth-Canton Observer, 744 Wing St., Plymouth, Mich. 48170.

B LARRY BARKOFF of Canton, a compensation analyst at Lintas: Campbell Ewald in Warren, was ppointed compensation program analyst in Eastern Michigan University's Human Resources Department by the EMU Board of Regents. Barkoff, 26, earned his bachelor's degree in international relations at Michigan State University and his mester's degree in labor and industrial relations, also at MSU. Barkoff worked as a compensation analyst for Lintas: Campbell Ewald for one year

programs, admissions, financial aid and scholar-

M ANN SAMUELSON, a Hope College senior from Plymouth, was one of 21 coilege students from Michigan to receive the MAHPERD (Michigan Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance) Award during a luncheon at the Renaissance Center in Detroit recently. Samuelson is majoring in physical education and German and plans to attend physical therapy school. She was nominated to receive the award by the department of physical education at Hope. Her activities at Hope have included Delta Phi Alpha (honorary German society), Mortar Board (national honor society), the Language Club and

the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She is the daughter of Norman and Janet Samuelson of Plymouth, and is a 1990 graduate of Southfield Christian High School.

> M KATHERINE BAHR, daughter of Jim and Nancy Bahr of Plymouth, has been elected for membership into Tau Beta Pi, the national engineering honor society. Tau Beta Pi represents the highest honor which can be achieved by an engineering student. Membership is awarded on the basis of high scholarship and exemplary character. She is a junior at the University of Michigan and expects to graduate with a degree in mechanical engineer. ing in December. She graduated from Plymouth Canton High School in 1993.

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH Rev. Richard A. Perfetto, Pastor 46001 Warten Rd., Canton, Michigan 48187 313-451-0444 MASS SCHEDULE Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday, 8:45 a.m. - Our Lady of Providence Chape

SEVENTH DAY

LYMOUTH SEVENTH BAY ABVENTIST CHURCH

Elder: Dr. Weaver \$10-549-5685 School 450-8233

Brightmoor Tabernacle Assemblies of God · Calvin C. Ratz. pastor

15 a.m. Family Sunday School Hour * Wednesday 7:00 p.m. "Family Night"

January 1st 10:30 a.m. "Facing The Unknown" 6:30 p.m. "One Thing" (New Year's Eve Family Communion 6 p.m.-8 p.m.)

UNITED CHURCH CHURCHES OF OF CHRIST

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN

PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 45801 W. Ann Arbor Road - (312) 463-1525 BIBLE STUDY & WORSHIP - 9:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening - 6:00 P.M.
Ladies' Ministries - Tues - 9:30 A.M.
FAMILY NIGHT - Wed. 7:00 P.M.
NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN. 455-3196

Rev. Donald Lintelman, Pastor 9:15 a.m. Church School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Nursery Care Available -WELCOME-

Hubbard at W. Chicago · Livonia · 422-0494 Worship and Church School



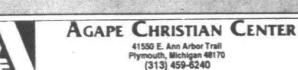
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Church School & Nursery 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.

ST. TIMOTHY CHURCH

Rev. Janet Noble



Wednesday - Family Night - 7:00 p.m. Nursery & Children's Ministry at All Services



UNITED METHODIST

ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST 19:00 A.M. Worship & Church School 11:15 A.M. Adult Study Classes Nursery Provided - 422-6038

> Clarenceville United Methodist 20300 Middlebelt Rd. - Livonia 474-3444 Rev. James Kummer, Pastor Worship Services 8:45 & 11:15 AM, 6:00 PM Church School - 10:05 AM Wednesday Enrichment

nner at 6:00, Classes at 7:00 Nursery Provided ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCI **METHODIST CHURCH** 10000 BEECH DALY ROAD

dford, MI 48239 Worship 8:30 & 11:00 A.M. Adult Sunday School 9:45 A.M. hildrens Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Informal Chapel Worship Sat. 6:00 p.m. Rev. Melanie L. Carey

> John Wesley's Convenat Renewal Service

RELIGION CALENDAR

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue.

SINGLE PLACE

Single Place Adult Ministries will play volleyball 9-10:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30, at the Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main, Northville. Cost is \$3 per person.

On New Year's Eve, Saturday, Dec. 31, Single Place members will go bowling at the Novi Bowl at 8 p.m., followed by dinner at 11 p.m. at the Akropolis Cafe in Northville. Dinner choices are steak, barbecue ribs or shark steak. Cost is \$30 for reservations made by noon Friday, Dec. 30, and \$34 after that deadline. For more information and tickets, call (810) 349-0911.

Single Place Presents at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4, will feature David Blake talking about Dabbling in Dating." The program will be presented at the church; a donation of \$4 will be

WORLD HEALING DAY

Annually, on New Year's Eve millions of concerned people around the world gather at noon Greenwich Time to meditate and pray for peace in the world. Locally, people are invited to participate in the prayer service at 7 a.m. Saturday. Dec. 31, at St. Linus Church, 25500 Hass, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call (313) 274-7735.

B 'GOD'S FAVORITE'

The Tr- City Christian Center will present the drama, "God's Favorite," as a dinner theater at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, and as a drama only at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, at the center, 39390 Michigan Ave., Wayne. Wendy Sielaff is the drama coordinator and Kathy McNamara director. Tickets are \$15 for the dinner theater and \$1 for the productions. For more information, call (313) 326-0330.

MEW YEAR'S SERVICES

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church will have New Year's services at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, and 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1. The church is at 17810 Farmington Road, Livonia. St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Westland will have a New Year's Eve service with commun ion at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, and a New Year's Day service

with communion at 10 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1. The church is at 5885 Venoy, Westland

M WATCH MIGHT Nathan DiGesare will perform during Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church's New Year's Eve celebration. The evening will begin with fellowship, dinner by res ervation, and a Watch Night Service at 10:40 p.m. For more information, call (313) 422-1826. The church is at 17000 Farmington Road Livonia

GREAT STORY

Evangelist Rick Amato, founder of R.A.M. (Rick Amato Ministries), will speak at Temple Baptist Church, 23800 West Chicago, Redford, at 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1. Amato, who went from the welfare ward of a Detroit Hospital and the depths of heroin and cocaine addiction to presiding over an effort by believers of all denominations to place 1 million scriptures in Eastern Europe, was the first evangelist to conduct a Christian evangelistic crusade in the Kremlin. He also took a group of Christians to Cube in May. For more information, call Temple Baptist at (313) 255-3333.

B BETHANY-WEST

Bethany-West Chapter, a nonprofit Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and educational assistance to divorced and separated Christians through peer ministry, will have Larry Herren as the guest speaker at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, West Chicago, east of Inkster Road, Redford. He will speak on "Becoming Able to Love and Be Loved." Cost will be \$3. For more information, call Karen at (313) 261-3602 or Kathy at (313) 584-1158.

III FUND-RAISER

Clarenceville United Methodist Church of Livonia is conducting a fund-raiser. It has 1995 Entertainment Passbooks available for a donation of \$40. They are available by calling Jim Robinson at (810) 347-1535 or the church office at (810) 474-3444.

M SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church plays volley ball at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the church gym. Ward Church is at Farmington and Six Mile roads, Livonia. For more informa tion, call 422-1854.

WEDNESDAY SERVICE

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church 27475 Five Mile, Livonia, has a new 7 p.m. Wednesday service open to all people, especially those who cannot attend regular Sunday worship services. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-1470.

M NEWBURG NIGHT OUT

Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, will present an eightweek program on Thursday evenings Jan. 12 to March 2. There will be activities for people of all

An inexpensive dinner will be served 5:30-6:30 p.m., followed by classes in beginning conversational Spanish, living with stress, troublesome Bible passages, 'First Do No Harm" — a book study of life and death medical issues and Christian ethics - and a series which will use Bill Moyer's "Great Ideas" videotape interviews on contemporary issues, all for adults.

There will be choirs for children and youth and drama groups for children, youth and adults. Noah's Ark, a program involving stories, crafts and supervised free play, will be available for younger children. Child care also will be provided. For more information, call 422-0149.

M NEW CHURCH

Crossroads Church of Livonia, a new church of about 70 adults and children, is looking for people to be part of its nucleus. If you are searching for a church home and enjoy contemporary worship, relevant Bible teachings and small groups, call Rob Eddy at (313)

SECHARISMATIC PRAYER

A charismatic prayer group meets at 6 p.m. Sundays in Patio Classroom 1 on the ground floor of the University Center at Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Levan roads, Livonia. For more information, call Shawn at (313) 464-9057 or Julie at (313) 464-4566

A group also meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays for praise Scripture and singing at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. The group meets in the church meet ing room. (Use rear entrance 2.) Call Sandy at (313) 462-2243.

St. Theodore Church's Spirit of the Cross Prayer Group meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays in the social hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call John at (313) 422-5611 or Margaret at (313) 427-9125.

B LOOKING FOR A CHURCH?

An open invitation is extended to anyone inquiring about membership in the Catholic Church by St. Richard's Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westland. For more information, call Claudia at (313) 729-4411.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church sponsors a men's fellowship group at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month in Garden City. For more information, call the Single Point office at (313) 422-1854.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Bethel Baptist Temple, 29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia, sponsors meetings for senior citizens and retirees the first and third Tuesday of the month. For more information, call (313) 525-3664 or (313) 261-9276

PRIENDSHIP

Friendship Connection, a personal growth and support group, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 13439 Marion, Redford, for discussion, questions and answers, fellowship and Bible study. For more information, call (313) 534-

ALCOHOLICS

The Alcoholics for Christ, Meet Your Needs Group, meets 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Tri-City Christian Center, Michigan Avenue at Hannan in Canton. Alcoholics for Christ is a nondenominational. nonprofit Christian fellowship for alcoholics and their families. The group's chief goal is to direct alcoholics, family members and other concerned people to a dedicated, sincere relationship with Jesus Christ. For more information, call (313) 326-0330.

MEW WORSHIP

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia, has started an informal worship experience 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays. The program, led by the Rev. Wendy

Bailey, is geared toward people of all ages who are unable to attend on Sunday morning because of work schedules or other commitments. It is designed to attract those who desire a more contem porary approach to worship. Child care will be available. For more information, call (313) 422-1470.

Main Street Baptist Church, 8500

N. Morton Taylor, south of Joy, Canton, has a ministry to assist people whose lives have been af-fected by substance abuse. SAFE (Setting Addicts Free Eternally) Recovery Group meets 7 p.m. each Tuesday

For more information or individual counseling, call the Rev. Michael York at (313) 453-4785.

Seminar focuses on 'Authenticity'

Life Free Methodist Church in Westland will host a Church Satellite Network broadcast of a live, interactive seminar, "Seven Steps Toward Spiritual Authenticity, Saturday, Jan. 7.

The noon to 3:30 p.m. seminar will feature internationally known Christian teacher Jack Hayford, Focus on the Family's H.B. London, and speaker/author Carol Kent.

More than 5,000 pastors, lay leaders and church members will join the trio in placing priority on integrity of heart, making forgiveness a lifestyle, giving praise its

proper place in our lives, refusing the temptation to judge others, cultivating a circle of accountability, keeping the invisible world in focus and deepening the personal

intimacy with Jesus. This broadcast will challenge

believers to think through what integrity means in daily life and ministry. The two 90-minute sessions will guide participants in what to stand up for, confirming the progress they have made to date, and offering specific steps for the coming months.

Hayford, senior pastor of the 8,000-member Church on the Way in Van Nuys, Calif., is known for his integrity and uncompromising approach to the teaching of God's word. Any given month you will find him speaking to several thousand pastors and Christian leaders or serving a key role for a number of Christian organizations.

sette teachings are distributed annually, and he is the composer of more than 400 songs, including

the widely sung "Majesty."

London has a background of 31 years of pastoral ministry, spanning three pastorates in California and Oregon. In 1991 he was invited to join Focus on the Family in Colorado Springs, Colo., where he is currently vice presi-dent of ministry outreach/pastor ministries.

London has co-authored two books and communicates regularly with hundreds of pastors and church leaders through the "Pastor to Pastor" cassette and

Kent, featured on the cover of the January 1995 issue of "Today's Christian Woman" magazine, has been a radio show cohost in Port Huron, a director of women's ministries for a Baptist church in Fort Wayne, Ind., and studio guest with such groups as Focus on the Family in the U.S. and 100 Huntley Street in Cana-

She has written several books and travels throughout North America as founder and director of "Speak Up With Confidence" seminars.

The seminar costs \$30 and registration forms are available by calling Cheryl Bippus at (313) 458-7301. Warren Road Light and Life Free Methodist Church is at 33445 Warren Road, Westland,





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Toys: Dave Hudson of Westland

ships and cars from the turn-of-thecentury to the 1960s. Featured here are Miss Nippon

(front), Chris Craft Cobra,

1936 Packard (front) and an all metal car

made in Germany by Carette.

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA CHOMIN

Book details the history of stained glass

from the moment she laid eyes on the an-tique stained glass windows installed in the parish chapel of St. Valentine School in Redford Township. The eight artworks transform the rays of early morning sunlight into translu-cent paintings of gold, ruby red and blue. Originally made to decorate a similar

chapel in St. Joseph's Retreat, a hospital for the mentally insane opened in 1885 in Dearborn, the windows enchanted Duffy so, she spent seven months of her life researching the history and recording it in the softcover book. Behind the Window

They're gorgeous and they're 105 years old, but this isn't just a story about windows. It's a story of Sister Mary DeSales who had this vision," said the 68- year-old Duffy.

"I began writing the book after I fell in love with Sister DeSales. There was no one else who could write it, because no one else felt the way I did. It was my personal project. I wanted people to know what she had done. I titled it 'Behind the Window,' because without the windows there would be no story At the time Duffy first heard about the win

See EXPRESSIONS, 3D



Stained glass: The windows represent the Joyful Mysteries of the rosary including Jesus in the Temple at his Bar Mitzvah.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Creative Living next week

- Going for the cold. Ice is the medium at the 13th annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.
- Victoria Diaz writes about local authors in her Book Break column.
- Exhibitions, art gallery listings.

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Remember that special toy you loved when you were a kid? You'll more than likely find one just like it at the fourth Dearborn Michigan Antique Show on Jan. 7.

by Linda Chomin, special writer



collectors: Bill and Karen Portman began collecting Hot Wheels cars nearly two years ago after buying a price guide on them at an antique show. They have about 3,000 of them in their collection.

these marvels in 1968 as the U.S. answer to British Matchbox cars. Today, a Volkswagen Bus Beach Bomb from that era goes for \$1,500 to \$2,000. The Wall Street Journal even did a story on them in mid-November when Christie's International auctioned off a collection of Hot Wheels in New York City. There are Hot Wheels publications, an annual convention, and clubs where members race the cars on "Fat Tracks.

A Motor City Chapter Meet is set to take place Jan. 15 at the Wayne-Ford Civic League Arena in Westland. There will be Hot Wheels racing with first, second and third place trophies awarded.

"The average collector is between 30 and 40 years old and tends to have a son," said Portman.

"The date on the bottom is not the date it was made. It's the copyright date. They have to be in mint condition to get top dollars. A scratch on a tire can make it less valuable

The Portm. " concentrate their own collection on the years 1968 to 1977. At the show they will sell Hot Wheels from 1978 to the current year ranging in price from \$5 for a 1992 model to \$200 for a vacuummetalized gold, special edition Lamborghini Countach.

Dave Hudson collects boats, ships and cars from the turn-of-thecentury to the 1960s. His Westland home is a haven for die cast Oldsmobile, Cadillac, Edsel and Mercedes Benz one-eighteenth scale cars, tin clockwork ships from the early 1900s, tin cars from early 1900s to the 1950s and 1960s, and battery operated wood boats manufactured in Japan in the 1950s and

"It's a collectible field. The toys were very popular back then but only the well-off could afford them," said Hudson, who travels to 22 shows a year trading and selling an-

One entire glass enclosed hutch is filled with a 1958 Edsel, 1959 Rambler and Buick and a 1960 Ford.

"Cars have always been a love of America. The late 1950s and 1960s are my favorites," said the 37-yearold collector

Hudson began collecting antique toys 10 years ago after attending a swap meet and car show in Pennsylvania. It was then he spied Western action figures from television programs popular in the 1940s and

See TOYS, 3D

Exhibit will showcase special artists

By LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Very Special Arts Michigan Southeast is seeking artworks for an exhibit it is sponsoring March 10 to April 9 at Urban Park-Detroit Art Center in Trapper's Alley in Greektown.

oys bring out the kid in all of

as far away as British Colum-

bia and Germany will display an-

tique wind-up, pressed steel and iron

lectibles, "Star Wars" and "Star Trek"

with antique toys including buttons,

pins and posters at the fourth Dear-

born Michigan Antique Show Satur-

day, Jan. 7, in the Dearborn Civic Center, 15801 Michigan Ave., west of

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the magic

and wonder of toys is sure to evoke

memories and bring out the kid in

you. Admission is \$4 for adults; chil-

toys from years past because they're

appreciating in value and their ex-

er. Toys right now are the hottest

selling antiques in America," said

Hauser should know. For the last

seven years he's owned and operat-

ed Hauser Antiques in Royal Oak. A

third generation collector of antique

toys, he spent many an afternoon as

Christmas is a time of toys and

dreams. Now that we've wrapped up an-

other year, whatever you do don't throw

out those toys. They could be worth a lot

of money in the future. They could even

dition goes for \$700. Hot Wheels

"A Japanese GI Joe in mint con-

played with 25 years ago sell for \$50

Bill and Karen Portman began

collecting Hot Wheels cars nearly two years ago after buying a price

guide on them at an antique show

It since has become an insatiable

hobby consuming both money and

time. The Westland husband and

wife spend untold-hours scouring

toy stores, hobby shops and even

the local Target in search of rare

3,000 of them in their collection.

paint jobs on the 25-year-old Mattel

toy phenomenon. They have about

kid, now you have a kid and collect

"It's like a treasure hunt. It's a

challenge to find them. I even went

back to my mother's house to look

Mattel Inc. began marketing

for cars," said Karen, 31.

Popular cars

them. It's like going back to your childhood," said Bill Portman, 29

"You had them when you were a

show producer, Kevin Hauser.

a child attending shows

pay for a few of your dreams.

to \$1,000," said Hauser.

Keep those toys

pected price today would be a shock

"Don't throw out those Christmas

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dren under 12, free.

toys, pedal cars, penny toys, promo

cars, GI Joe's and Barbie dolls, col-

items and memorabilia associated

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Very special visual artists including children and adults disabled by hearing, sight, mobility, development and emotional impairments will take part in the second annual exhibit at the downtown Detroit gallery. All participating artists will be invited to the opening reception on March 10 when each receives a VSA certificate of recognition.

'We're looking for paintings done with poster

paints, prints, drawings the usual things that school kids do," said Jack Olds, exhibit chairman and a former member of the Livonia Arts Commission.

Last year, all of the state was involved, but 1995 will cover a seven county region of southeastern Michigan. We'd like to get the Livonia schools to participate.

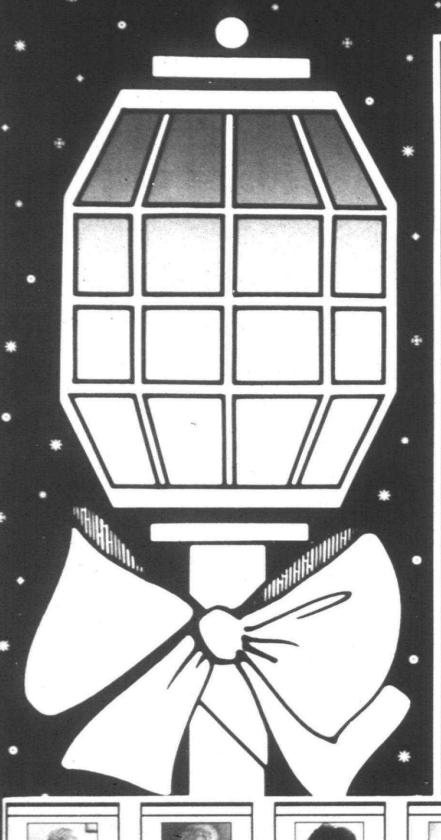
Schools in Garden City, Westland, Redford, Plymouth and Canton should consider entering this worthwhile event. Last year's included artworks ranging from a quilt made by a Holland, Mich. group to a disabled student whose work ended up

on the front of the commemorative T-shirt. Each art entry must be accompanied by a completed form signed by the artists and parent or guardian if the artist is under the age of 26. Deadline for entry is Feb. 1, 1995.

Artists may enter up to three works including the mediums of crayon, felt-tipped pen, ink, tempera, oils on canvas on board or stretchers, acrylic, finger paint, collage and block prints. Quilting, embroidery and other craft techniques are also acceptable.

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E LIVONIA LIBRARY

Through Dec. 30 — The Livonia Arts Commission presents a colection of Barbie dolls owned by Livonia resident Marty Fishman. The 50-doll exhibit is on display in the Livonia Civic Center Library showcases, Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 1-5 p.m. on Sunday.

Through Dec. 31 — Director Lau-

M NELSON'S GALLERY

ra Hardy presents her annual Art as Gift show featuring smaller, easonably priced gift art now through Dec. 31 at the gallery 16376 Middlebelt between Five and Six Mile in Terrence. An open house takes place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10. This year's show spotlights 13 artists working in a variety of media from painting and glass to jewelry and clay. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday though Friday, and 10 .m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

E G.R. N'NAMDI GALLERY Through Dec. 31 —"Scrapple from the Apple," an exhibit of works on paper and monoprint by Vincent Smith, will continue to Dec. 31. Opening reception for the artist 6-9 p.m. Friday. Smith will lecture on his work 2 p.m. Sun-

Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple at Drake in West Bloomfield, (810) 661-7641. M WOODWARD GALLERY The gallery at 1357 Davis in Bir-

scham is the only dealer in the

concentrates on Smith's jazz images. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 1-4 p.m. Sunday, 161 Townsend, Birming-United States authorized to sell a

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Through Jan. 12 - A retrospec tive of internationally acclaimed artist Samuel Bak will continue through Jan. 12. Opening reception, which Bak will attend, 7 p.m. Saturday; Bak will speak p.m. Sunday and sign copies of his catalogs and books noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Bak's work reflects his experiences as a survivor of the Holocaust. His beautifully rendered paintings contain a visual vocabulary addressing univer sal themes and the plight of the human condition. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednes day, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, in the

Expressions from page 1D and Vincent Tingler. The gallery is at 23-B W. Lawrence in Pontidows, she was a member of the dows and all the religious arti.

Church. The windows remained

the one of St. Martha, were saved.

garage. The pastor of St. Martha's

eventually offered the eight windows to Father Tom Belczak, pas-

tor at St. Valentine's where they

remained in storage until enough

money was saved to restore and

install them in the parish chapel

in 1993, the 45th anniversary of

troits She attended Holy Redeemer High School, and was a

member of St. Gabriel's parish in

Southwest Detroit for more than

40 years. She moved to Redford

her while doing a story about the

senior citizens taking art classes

from surrealist painter, Carl An-

gevine at the Redford Senior Cen-

" The windows represent the

Duffy's book is available at St.

visual arts. Her Artistic Expres-

more special sacred spot."

Township eight years ago after raising four children. I first met

Therese Duffy was born in De-

the church.

Redford Township historical facts would go to Christian peo- To Jan. 8 - "So You Want to Commission and as such, investi- ple," said Duffy. gated the windows' history. But the story doesn't begin with the windows, it begins with Sister Mary DeSales Taylor, a member of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent DePaul.

In 1854 Sister DeSales Taylor was one of the administrators at St. Mary's Hospital in Detroit. In those days mentally ill people were kept hidden. There was nothing being done for them in the way of medical help. Sister

DeSales made room for five mental patients at St. Mary's. As their conditions improved, additional space was sought to assist others The Sisters of Charity owned

20 acres of land located at the corner of Michigan Avenue and 24th Street in Detroit where an existing building was expanded. Sister DeSales was now able to house 20 mental patients. This small wooden building called the Michigan Hospital for the Insane was the first mental hospital in Mich-

Back at St. Mary's, Michigan officials were requesting hospital beds for their patients, more than likely causualities of the Civil War as this was the late 1860s. All of the money incurred from these patients was set aside and saved because Sister DeSales had

She would build a new hospital, a five-story brick building at dled the printing out of love fo Michigan and 24th opened in the windows that survived so 1870 and was solely owned by the much. Sisters of Charity. The recovery rate for mental patients rose, and Joyful Mysteries of the rosary ineven those who never improved cluding the Annunciation, the had a place to spend the rest of Visitation, the birth of Christ or their lives. In 1885, an even larger Christmas and Jesus in the Tem-St. Joseph's Retreat was built in ple at his Bar Mitzvah," said Dearborn. In the lobby four beau- O'Neill. "When we got the wintiful stained glass windows were dows it turned the chapel into installed, and in the chapel an- something special, into even a other eight.

Eight feet high by four feet wide, the richly colored images Valentine's rectory for a cost of tell a joyful story of Jesus' birth \$2. All proceeds benefit the Redand life. For 78 years, St. Joseph's ford Township Historical Com-Retreat served the mental pa- mission. tients and their families. By 1962 however, it became obsolete and Linda Ann Chomin is a free was closed. The windows were lance writer specializing in the

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Very Special Arts was founded al organization founded by Jean for children and adults who are Kennedy Smith in 1974 to enrich not physically or mentally capa- the lives of the disabled by enble of participating in the sports couraging creativity/ VSA/MI of Special Olympics. Through supports programs in dance, drayearly mini-grants, VSA/MI provides opportunities for disabled well as music in schools, therapeople to create, communicate peutic and nursing centers. It is and develop through the arts, associated with Special Educa-thereby furthering their self- es- tion Services Michigan Departteem. VSA/MI promotes the pow-ment of Education, andthe Michier of the arts to triumph over disabilities. Their annual regional festival which will be held April 28 and 29 at Wonderland Mall in

Livonia is meant to educate the Jack Olds, 14542 Huff, Livonia community about the artistic tal- 48154, or call (313) 591-0842.

TOYS from page 1D

1950s. Two years ago Hudson finally completed his collection of these heroes which includes not only the Western figure but the original box they came in.

"Everyone in their 30s, 40s and 50s will remember Bat Masterson, Bret Maverick, Sgt. Preston of the Yukon, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, and Johnny Yuma from the Westerns," said Hudson. "All of the good Westerns they

made a figure. There are 35 different ones, 10 of them riding." Of course none of Dave and Madelyn Hudson's three children including sons, Nick, 13 and are allowed to play with any of the from 1970. antique toys. They're an investment for his future retirement

Investing in toys way they used to be before color film was developed. Lueck's work is on display at the gallery, 128 S. Woodward in Birmingham. Among the scenes and landmarks captured are Quarton Lake, the Birmingham Theatre, the falls at

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Build a Museum," at 5200 Wood ward, includes plans, drawings

All 12 windows were purchased and renderings of the 1888 Detroit by St. Clements Church in Dear-Museum of Art by James Balfour born, but conflicted with the ar- and the 1927 Detroit Institute of chitectural style of the building so Arts by Paul Cret. Call (313) 833were sold to St. Martha's Catholic 7900. in the Dearborn church until it THE ANDY SHARKEY GALLERY was renovated and the old stained | This Royal Oak art gallery offers glass windows replaced with new an unusual collection of Michigan

artists featuring painted furni-

ture, pottery, glass, jewelry, a

and more. The gallery is at 204 W.

Four of the windows, including Kids Corner, custom painting

The other eight were stored in the Fifth. Call (810) 546-6770.

Classic cowboy: Western action figures like this one from the '50s show "Wanted Dead or Alive" launched Dave Hudson into toy col-



Hot Wheels: From front to back, the Iron Man from 1981 Josh, 11 or daughter, Sydney, 7 the Custom AMX from 1969 and the Mighty Maverick

ry toys has dried up, there's still from \$100 to \$3,500. from a general supervisor position an opportunity to collect the cars at one of the Big Three automo- from the late 1950s and 1960s. I bile manufacturing plants in Yp. relate to a lot of the toys, but I love the cars. Since you can't have real ones because they take up too much room, they're great." Hud-"From boats to cars to battle- son's inventory at the show will ships, antique toys are a great in-range in price from \$10 for a is everybody can relate to toys. vestment. Although most of the matchbox car to \$4,500 for a bat- Everybody played with them as a

"I think if people come, they will have a lot of fun to look

around and remember," said "They might even start collecting antique toys. A good part of it

sources for the turn- of-the-centu- tery operated Space Patrol (a kid so that's something joyful and moon vehicle) in the original box. fun, and everybody needs a little He will also have antique tin cars of that." MORTGAGE RATE UPDATE

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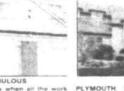














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Kathleen Coon was named gener

al manager of Century 21 East in Rochester Hills. She has been in real estate for more than four years. She serves as vice chairwoman community ser-

vices committee for the Birmingham-Bloomfield, South Oakland and Rochester Area Realtors and in 1995 will head the Realtor Associ- Coon ates Committee for the Rochester Area Associa

B NEW STATE LEADER

Alice McIntyre of Real Estate One in Bloom field Hills was elected 1995 Michigan governor of the Women's Council Realtors.

McIntyre has been on the WCR board, an affiliate of the National Association of Realtors, for six years, serving as the state chapter president in 1993 and before that, the local chapter president

As a WCR governor. McIntyre will be responsi ble for increasing membership and overseeing the council's annual Phoneathon membership campaign.

E CHARITARLE HELP

Max Broock Inc. Realtors is sponsoring the Lighthouse of Oakland County Holiday Project, which provides for 5,000 senior citizens and other individuals in need. Max Broock has offices in Birmingham, West

Bloomfield Bloomfield Hills and Rochester For more information on the Lighthouse project. call (810) 253-8119

Oakland County attorney Robert M. Meisner who writes Condo Queries for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, starts his new radio, "The Law of the Land," Jan. 4 on WCAR-AM 1090. The show runs 1-2 p.m. Wednesdays

Meisner, whose offices are based in Bingham Farms, focuses on condominium, real estate and

- Compiled by Becky Burns

REAL ESTATE NEWS 'Commercial Realtor of Year' named

liott came to Michigan in 1987, he didn't know his dedication to commercial real estate would triumph in ghis earning "Michigan Commercial Realtor of the Year" honors for 1994.

The Michigan CCIM Chapter presents the annual award to a Certified Commercial Investment Member. "It is great to receive an award like this," said Elliott, 38, who lives in Farmington Hills.

Michigan boasts Elliott about 1,000 commercial Realtors. El liott is one of 90 designated CCIMs. said Robert Andrus, Michigan CCIM chapter president.

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real estate. Other criteria include thesis-caliber reports, exams and sales and leasing volume requirements. It

certified, Andrus said. "It's like a master's degree in commercial real estate," Elliott said. In addition to his CCIM designa-

usually takes four to five years to be

tion, Elliott is a Society of Industrial and Office Realtors member. There are only a few others in Michigan who hold both designations. "It takes a lot of effort, time and experience to do both." Andrus said. Factors that helped Elliott earn Re-

altor of the Year honors include his cooperativeness with other real estate prokers, his professional production and his effort to expand opportunities

"I've never won an award like this before," Elliott said. "It is an honor to receive the award since it comes from my peers.

Elliott, a California native, became nterested in commercial real estate 19 years ago, during his days at San Diego State University. Commercial real estate involves

office buildings, retail stores, indus-

trial and other income-producing

commercial properties. Elliott said.

Elliott joined Coldwell Banker in 1980 and became a sales manager in 1985 in Kansas City. Coldwell Banker's commercial division became CE Commercial in 1991 and is the nation's largest commercial real estate company. It's headquartered in Los

Today, Elliott is senior vice presi dent and managing officer of CB

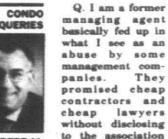
Southfield. In 1993, he was instrumental in founding the Detroit Area Commercial Board of Realtors, a member of the National Association

has devoted time to local community and civic groups. He's on the advisory board of The Salvation Army. And he's a member of the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce Business At traction Group, serving on the committee that prepares marketing pieces and information on Detroit.

Elliott serves the Boy Scouts America through his son's troop. After seven years, Elliott will step down at year end from the board o directors of the Detroit Commercial Investment Division, now the Detroit

Area Commercial Board of Realtors He plans to devote more time to his real estate business.

Note managing agent's role; share ideas on-line



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tions. How do we get involved?

A: Community Associations On Line's development is spearheaded by the Community Associations In stitute, a national nonprofit organization based in Washington. The ser vice started in early December. This column and I were selected to be part of the project and I soon will be able to correspond with readers via the You will find the system beneficial

to community associations as it allows community association profes sionals and volunteer readers from throughout the United States to meet on line, chat in electronic conference rooms, post messages, exchange Email, unload and download files, and access a vast on-line library. The records, I am advised, will in clude 20 years of publications from

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Robert M. Meisner is an Oakland County attorney who concentrates his practice in condominium, real estate and corporate law. Submit questions by writing: Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Bingham Farms, MI 48025. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion. To leave a voice-mail message for Robert Meisner, dial (313) 953-2047, nailbox 1871. Hear his radio show, "The Law of the Land," 1-2 p.m. Wednesdays on WCAR-AM 1090 starting Jan. 4.

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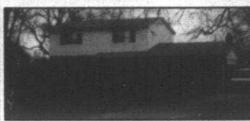
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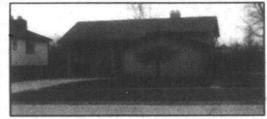
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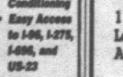
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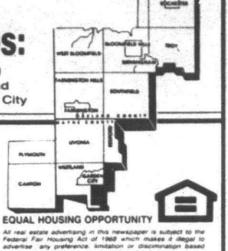
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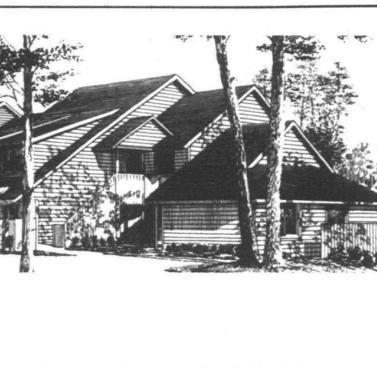
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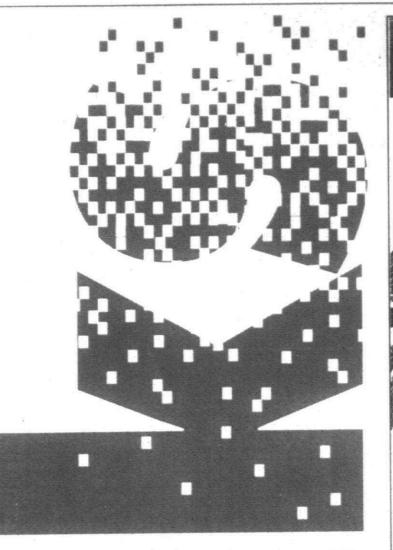
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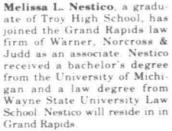
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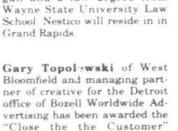
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Charles E. Mills has been named director of business development for the Michigan Group Realtors effective Dec. 12. Mills, a native Detroiter and graduate of Wayne State University, has been an active Realtor for 31 years. Mills resides in Livonia with Elizabeth, his wife of 34 years



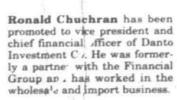
Michael Workman has been named the general sales manager for the Livonia office of the Michigan Group. Workman has 23 years of real estate experience. Workman replaces Charles Mills





"Close the the Customer" award, the highest coporate honor within the agency. Topolewski has been honored this year at Cannes and the Caddy Awards as for his creative direction the on the Jeep Topolewski "Snow Covered" commercial.

Susan S. Zinger has been promoted to executive vice president and general manager of the Michigan Design Center by the Danto Investment Co. Zinger joined the Design Center after 13 years with Hudson's. She is an allied member of the American Society of Interior design.





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Remodeler lets clients stay home

People who develop deep roots in a community sometimes add on to or remodel the homestead rather than move. A few companies in this area, including one in business nearly 30 years, specialize in major renovations at the upper price end.

BY DOUG FUNKE



Most of us think about remodeling in terms of updating a kitchen or bathroom.

Bob Stern of West Bloomfield specializes in renovations and restorations of a much higher magnitude. He deals with projects starting at \$50,000 and ranging up to \$250,000 in upscale communities like Birmingham, Franklin and Bloomfield

His clients generally have either a very strong desire to stay in the neighborhood or to create a living environment that stirs fond reminiscences.

"My customer is a 40-some-yearold contemporary professional doctors, lawyers, auto executives," Stern said. "Business is great when they get their bonuses.

'My typical project would be a master bedroom suite with a whirlpool bath and walk-in closets or a new area consisting of a kitchen extension with an extremely large breakfast room and sitting area," he said.

Like Dorothy Gale in the Wizard of Oz, clients who spend a lot of money on a remodeling really come to believe that there's no place like home. Their roots run deep with attachments to neighborhood, church and schools.

"I liked where I was and didn't want to move," said Linda Roszak, a Bloomfield Hills resident. She and her husband, John, contracted for a new kitchen, larger family room and a hot tub.

"We back up to a school playground, the kids were happy and we had enough backyard to use, Linda said.

An average job takes 12 to 14 weeks, Stern said. He does about 18 a year and most of his clients continue to live in the house while work progresses.



Big jobs: Bob Stern specializes in major remodeling projects.

They're always supervising," he said. "Everyone who lives in the house, the mothers and fathers of the homeowners, the sister-in-law, the cousin who was a carpenter once. We're masochists.'

Actually, Stern said, interaction with clients is a great joy for him. "I enjoy the one-on-one with customers. I like dialogue. They know what they want. They don't know how to express it. You pull it out of

"Step A is someone calling. They want an estimate. We go out and assess. It's almost like a feasibility study, a diagnosis and prognosis, Stern said.

"Then we sum it up. We can do it or you shouldn't do it. Maybe they should just sell."

The general rule of thumb for major renovations is that the work should already fit the existing neighborhood or how the neighborhood is evolving, said Stern, who's been at it nearly 30 years.

But if money is no object and a client has his heart set on a project, land is available, municipal codes can be met and persuasion to buy somewhere else and remodel is

unsuccessful, the job gets done. "It has to with who you are,

what you are and how you see it,' Stern said of the decision to spend big money on remodeling. "Most people who call us really don't want to move. They're comfort-

Stern identified his major competitors as Kellett Construction of Bloomfield Hills and Mosher, Dolan & Cataldo of Birmingham. He said his biggest problem with clients is extras.

"That's where the customer buys specific amount of work for a specific amount of money and while you're here, will say, 'Can you do this, can you do that.' That really busts up schedules. My next customer is waiting and I don't have 50 crews."

Stern's major problem on job sites is dealing with minor variations in all of the municipal building codes.

The codes keep changing and they're stiffer and stiffer," he said. 'I think some are getting out of hand. Is this a necessity? Why doesn't every manufacturer do this? You learn by doing.'

Houses built from the 1950s on are easier to deal with than more vintage models - due to building codes - but Stern said he hasn't yet encountered any problem which couldn't be overcome into a job.

"Nothing is insurmountable," he

"You can do anything you want if you pay," Stern added. "A lot of times, you can compromise, get the same feel for a little less. You do it a little smaller, a little different."

But Stern admits that he won't skimp on quality.

"The only way people hire me back is service. That's all that remodeling is. You can't serve without profit. People I work for never bought me because I was low bidder. You can't do it on sale. You can't give it away."

Most of his business is repeats and referrals, Stern said.

Pat and Laurence Ribiat have hired Stern on three different occa-

"They do the job quickly. They clean up after themselves daily," she said. "The guys working are really nice. Workmanship, the guys really care.'

Local architects get professional accolades

AIA Detroit, a chapter of the American Institute of Architects, cited several local professionals with special accolades during annual award ceremonies.

Honorees include Maurice B. Allen Jr., a Bloomfield Hills resident, who received the AIA Detroit gold medal, its highest honor.

Allen was recognized for consistent high quality design and distinguished years of practice. He retired last year from TMP Associates Inc. in Bloomfield Hills and continues to serve the firm, consulting on performing arts centers

Allen's career included contributing to projects as far ranging as the General Motors Technical Center in Warren, the U.S. Embassy in Oslo, Norway, and the Lincoln Center of the Performing Arts in New York

City. His design interests have led him into positions of teacher, juror, public speaker and counselor to state government.

"You can't look at a building by itself," Allen said. "Architecture for me runs the gamut from city plan to space between buildings to buildings themselves to furniture. You never look at what's before you but the next largest context.

"Architecture very definitely shapes our lives," Allen added. "There's a subliminal effect on people. It lifts your spirits if you go into a nice place.

"What we do lasts a long time," he said.

A member of the Environmental Arts Advisory Panel of the Michigan Council for the Arts, Allen has arryed on numerous committees with that organization throughout

Leo G. Shea of Bloomfield Hills received the AIA Detroit Charles

Blessing Award.

The award is named in honor of Detroit's longtime visionary city planner who dedicated his life's work to the pursuit of increasing the quality of urban life through excellence in city planning and urban

It is presented to the individual who has exemplified the broad vision, commitment and steady effort demonstrated by Blessing, now deceased.

AIA Detroit recognized Shea's leadership in planning and civic issues that have resulted in positive improvements to the urban environ-

Through his efforts, AIA Detroit established the Urban Priorities Committee in January, 1993. As chairperson of the committee, Shea's goal was to increase the public awareness of architects and the profession.

Shea was instrumental in presenting an architectural agenda to civic organizations and governmen-

He played a key role in presenting AIA Detroit's perspective to Mayor Dennis Archer's land use She currently serves as vice pres-

ident of operations with Kughn Enterprises, Inc. in Chesterfield. Victor Saroki, a Farmington Hills resident with a practice in Birming-

ham, is this year's AIA Detroit Young Architect. This designation was established to recognize exceptional contributions to the profession by licensed architects 40 years of age and

A graduate of Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, Saroki established a partnership upon graduation that led to his going solo in 1983. Today, Saroki &



Maurice B. Allen, Jr. gold medal winner

Associates is an eight person firm with an armful of design awards.

Just two years after graduation, Saroki was personally honored by LTU at its 50th anniversary celebration. The 20 outstanding graduates of the School of Architecture were recognized and he was the

Katherine Bishop Eckert has been named AIA Detroit Honorary Affiliate member. Membership is

bestowed upon someone not eligible for AIA membership but who has rendered distinguished service to the profession.

Eckert is historic preservation officer for the State of Michigan. An architectural historian for twenty years, she has traveled throughout the state to study buildings and cultural landscapes. Her first book, Buildings of Michigan, was published last year.



Internet has lots of goodies through WWW

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On O&E On Line we use Lynx to access the WEB. The addressing domain of Lynx requires a forward slash right before the colon and is followed by two backward slashes after the colon. In the last column, I erred in decribing the construction of the Web domain. you see a heart symbol (V) in a Web adress in this column, substitue the forward lash where the heart (V) appears.

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O&E On-line user Frank T. shares a Web site he discovered that is a movie database for film-goers. It contains information on Acade my Awards actors and actresses and movie reviews. The URL is httpV:/ www.cm.cf.ac.uk/Movies/moviequery.html Note from the domain that this site is in the United Kingdom. Frank shared other sites which I'll pass on once I get a chance to take a

The Observer & Eccentric is building its own Web site on the Internet and will be offering all 12 O&E newspapers at a WWW Home Page. The O&E Home Page is still under construction but is on the Internet and can be accessed via O&E On-line, System operator Greg Day has his own list of Web Hot Spots which users will enjoy visiting. Visit our the O&E Home Page at http 7:/eonline.com. Be patient, though, because not all features are

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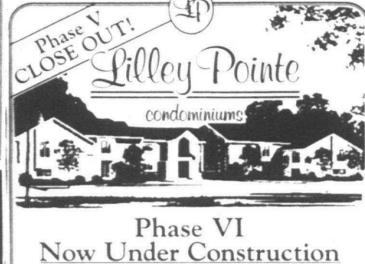
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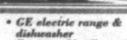


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weather frequencies, and several others. The URL is http 7: //dice.dac.neu.edu:80/

Access Atlanta is an exciting Home Page where several items of interest may be found. Among them is the whole series of Internet correspondence courses offered via e-mail at Patrick Douglas Crispen. Find this site with with http://www.america.net.

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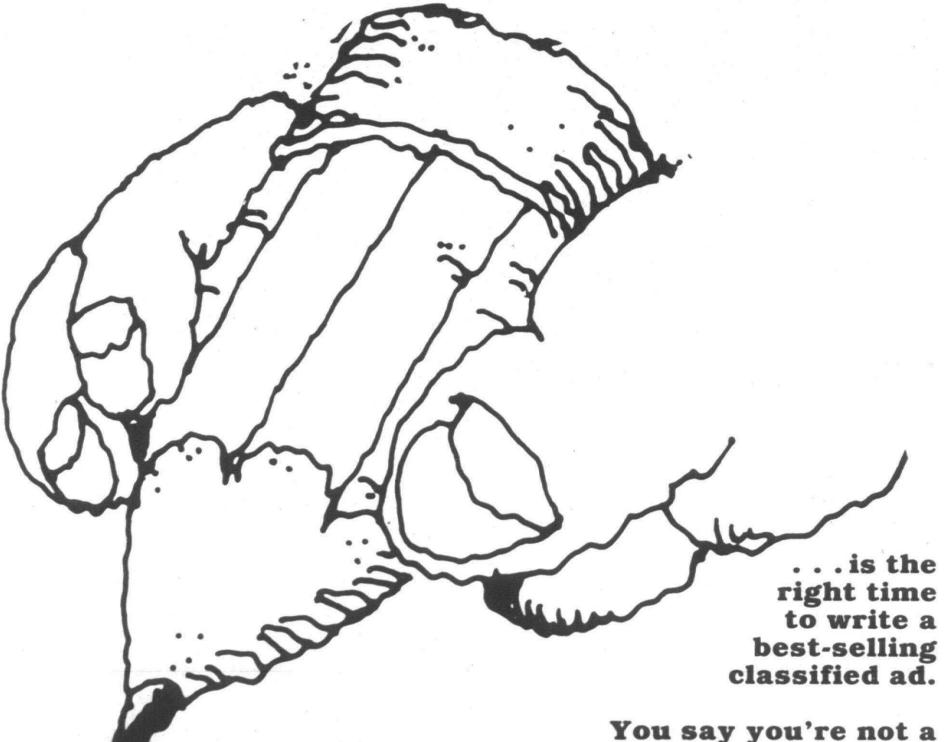
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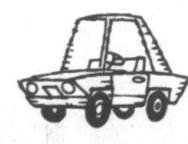
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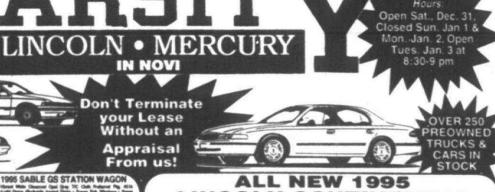
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